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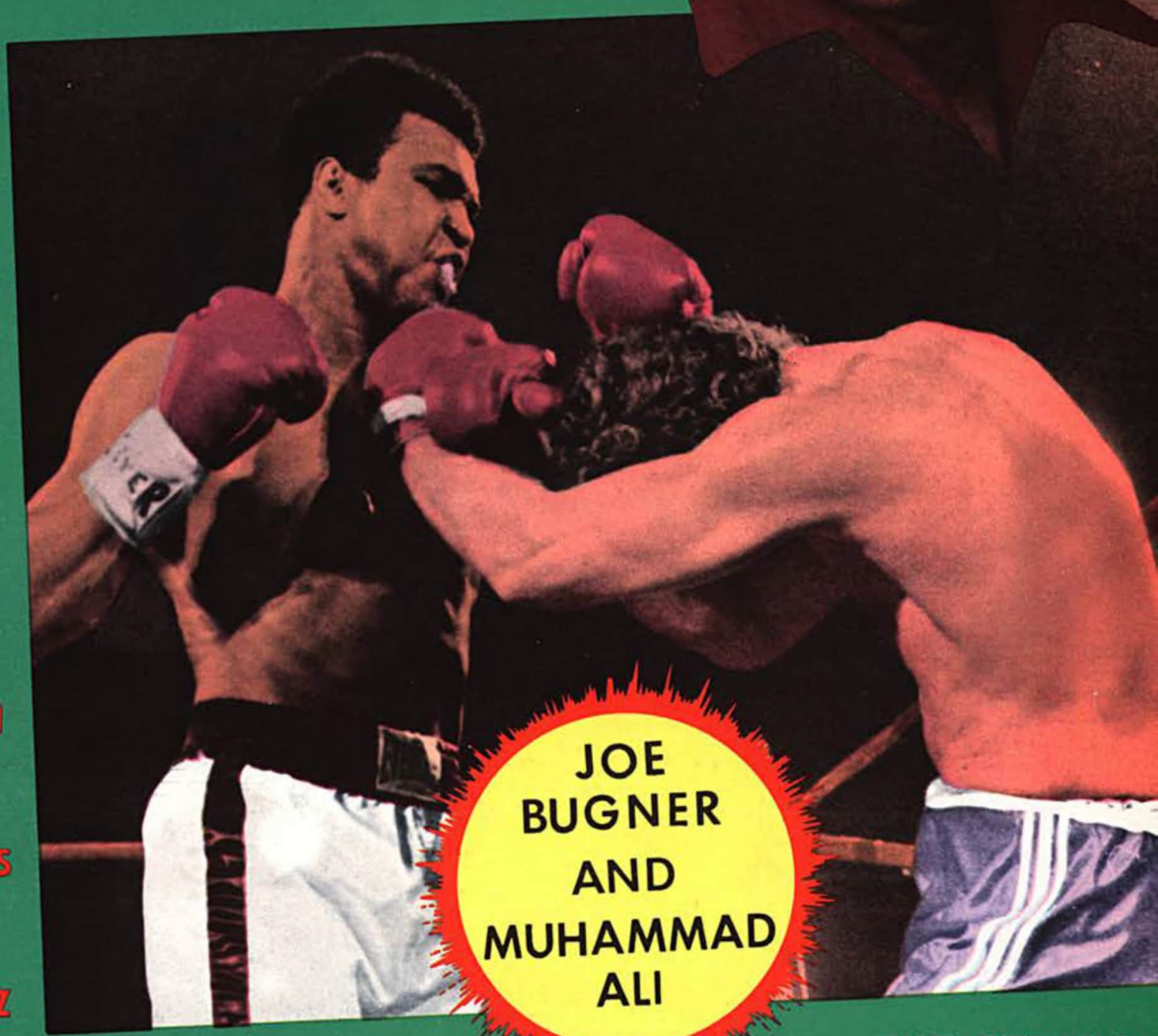

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EDITORIAL AS I SEE IT

by NAT LOUBET Editor AND Publisher of

The RING

FOR the first time in modern boxing there is only one champion recognized by all the world boxing bodies. That man is Muhammad Ali, the heavyweight champion of the world.

In all of the divisions, from light heavy down to the flyweight, there are two claimants at each weight.

Victim of a civil war between the World Boxing Association and the World Boxing Council, boxing is suffering severely from this lack of agreement between two organizations which are supposed to work together for the good and welfare of the game.

If the WBA and the WBC set out with an agreement to create discord and confusion, they could have done no better a job than they have now.

Behind the disordered situation we have political confusion and personal ambition.

Neither side will yield an inch, so that there appears to be no prospect of agreement or the matching of rival contenders for world championships.

When Ali leaves the ring we may expect two rivals for the heavyweight title, too.

As if there weren't trouble enough, Italian "authorities" have made the picture all the more confounding by creating a junior flyweight division, in which we again find two rival sections.

The idea of creating a junior class in the flies was stupid enough, but to see this division also gobbled up by the battling groups makes the war all the more ridiculous.

The Ring Magazine is sorely tempted to push the WBA and WBC out of the picture and organize its own group for unity and a single champion in each division.

A good way to get rid of the contending factions would be to create a Federal boxing director.

This idea has been kicked around for years, and would have been adopted if the late Robert Kennedy had been willing to take the boxing director into his own Federal department. He fought this proposal so strongly that it was abandoned.

The time has come to dig the idea out of the limbo of side tracked legislation.

Up to this point, the proposal to have a Federal director of boxing has had no White House support. If the scheme were to come up again, it would likely have the support of President Ford.

Our Chief Executive was a boxer in his days at Yale, and worked his way through Law School by acting as coach of the Yale boxing team.

Our President very likely is aware of the factionalism which is ripping boxing apart, and would favor cleaning house.

Be as it may, the fact remains that the situation is intolerable, and something will have to be done to stop the rampant nationalism which is one of the bad effects of the double system of government.

To the average boxing buff, the WBA and WBC is so much balderdash. The fan doesn't know one group from the other, because he is not aware of reasons for the existence of two associations.

If each association had something beneficial to offer world boxing, there might be some reason for dual supervision. As things are, this dual government and confusion must be stopped.

ALI-BUGNER BATTLE NO. 2

By NAT LOUBET

KUALA LUMPUR — Once in so often Muhammad Ali, heavyweight champion of the world, let his vocal chords and tonsils steal the show from his fists and style.

This happened minutes after he had been acclaimed victor over Joe Bugner in their second encounter. The Hungary-born champion of Europe ran second to Ali at Las Vegas on February 14, 1973.

Forgetting that he had led a worthy New York columnist down the road of No-Fact, Muhammad shouted "Bring on Joe Frazier."

The third battle with Frazier reportedly has been scheduled by promoter Don King for October in Manila.

Why the Philippines and not New York? That is a question which can be answered only by the sources of the money for which Muhammad and Joe will be struggling. Who are the gentlemen with the cash? That's a secret.

The designation of the fight for Manila once again leaves Madison Square Garden in New York on a weak limb fistically after its comeback effort with the big triple header which played up not Americans but Carlos Monzon and Victor Galindez of the Argentine.

Now for the second Ali-Bugner affair. It was what the trade calls a nothing fight. Bugner put on a typical Bugner show.

He put on a show in the sense of vaudeville and not pugilism.

At Las Vegas he suffered an eye cut in the first heat and spent the next 14 rounds stemming the blood flow.

This time Ali tried his hardest to give Joe another eye cut to worry about, but he just could not do it.

Now for Muhammad Ali. Give him his dues. He was in amazing condition.

He came in at 224½ pounds, two and a half million dollars. Bugner weighed in at 230 and will go to his bank with $500,000 minus taxes.

Summing up the 15 rounds we face these facts:

One — Nobody got hurt.

Two — Nobody got cut.

Three — Nobody got knocked down.

Four — Nobody wants to go back here for another fight.

To print a blow by blow, round by round summary of the contest would be a waste of space and a masterpiece in tiresome repetition.

For Muhammad it was a brief stopping place on his way to the Frazier fight, which is likely to force Cassius to give everything he has left at the age of 33.

There are no ultra important rounds or punches to pick from the pack. Ali did show remarkable agility. Bugner showed a variety of fistic styles, including the rope trick, all of which came to nothing.

In the final analysis we face one fact, very important to Joe Frazier —

BOTH MEN WERE ON THEIR FEET AT THE FINAL BELL.

The fight had a basic weakness. There was a lack of interest except in Kuala Lumpur and even here the fans did not break down any fences to get into the stadium.

Bugner now can return to his European field of no competition.

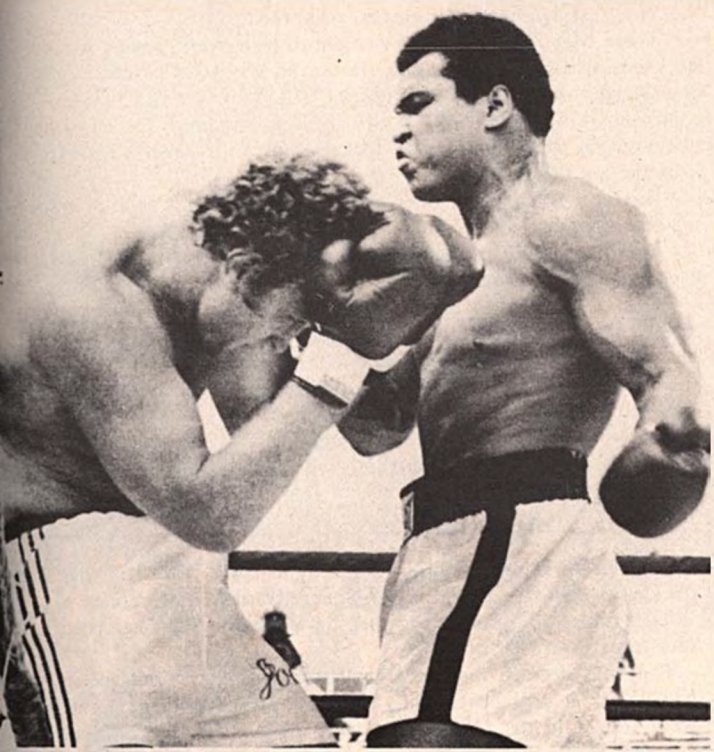
And Muhammad can come home to face the necessity of going right on training as hard as he ever had trained in his life to fight Joe Frazier who is likely to go to the post the favorite.

The writer's final comment is this — It was a long, long distance to fly for that kind of fight.

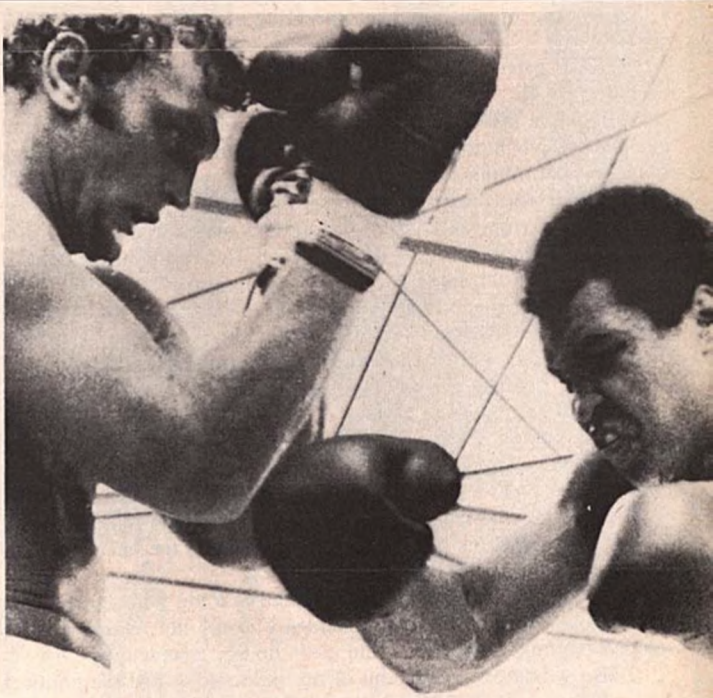
Muhammad Ali sends Joe Bugner reeling with a strong left to the jaw in the 14th round.

Challenger Joe Bugner is pinned to the ropes by Ali in the first round of their Kuala Lumpur title bout.

The Heavyweight Champ of the World Muhammad ALI



Round nine saw Muhammad Ali delivering a barrage of body punches to Bugner's mid section. Ali went on to win a 15 round unanimous decision.



The Ali "mirage" is appropriated unsuccessfully by Bugner. Joe ended it only kidding himself by using such tactics.

DON KING TELLS ALL

By DAN DANIEL

UNTIL recently Don King, the super-boxing promotor, was preoccupied with one major task—the necessity of finding financial backing and a site for the third meeting of Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier.

Of a sudden his situation developed into a mammoth enterprise in which the Ali-Frazier affair was reduced to one engrossing item among a dozen or more.

Overnight it became the possible builder of a conglomerate. He found himself a bidder for Madison Square Garden, which had cost 60 million dollars to build and necessitated a daily outlay of 32 thousand dollars.

Unable to support itself, the Garden had been placed on the market.

King had reached for it tentatively with a bid of 36 million and had been laughed at.

Now, in his growing status, the promotor found himself backed by enough millions to make him a serious factor in the Garden's negotiations.

The reason for King's fantastic development was the financial support of the Arab Oil Bank, with an emphatic entry by the new regime in Saudi Arabia.

Had King met with no opposition he might have bought the Garden.

But a new factor entered the market. The New York State Off Track Betting organization became King's powerful rival for the arena.

The OTB offer had been bottled up so successfully that there had been no leak.

OTB sought the Garden for many uses in its current business and many to which it looked forward, among them dog racing and a state law permitting Off Track to accept wagers on all forms of professional sport, boxing, of course, included.

"To begin with, as I go into more and more serious talks with the Arab Oil Bank people, I am not one bit interested in the Middle East squabble. I am interested in the vast resources which the Arab oil represents in support of my plans and intentions.

"This whole scheme is serious. I would run the boxing end of the conglomerate and I would hire competent assistants to take care of the other fields of activity.

"I would get my share of each division of the conglomerate.

"I love boxing. I have ideas for the betterment of boxing. I believe that New York has been shortchanged insofar as boxing is concerned.

"I am eager to establish myself as the world's top fight promotor working out of the Garden in the city which was the cradle of boxing.

"I want to revive boxing in the Garden in a big way.

"If I obtained control of the Garden I would not retain anybody now on the boxing staff. I would clean house, completely.

"I also would exert every bit of my influence to end the political fracas between the WBA and the WBC. They have created a situation in which we have as many as 24 versons of world titles, with the heavyweight title holder the only one absolutely out in the clear. It is obvious that we cannot continue to let this go on.

"Why should boxing be the hapless orphan? Baseball, hockey, basketball and football all have their directors. Why is boxing left out in the cold? We need a Federal Boxing Commission for uniformity and control.

"I already have made some moves in the direction of the betterment of boxing conditions.

"I need a gymnasium in New York. I want to develop my own fighters and have a place which all fighters could call home. I have made an offer and believe it will be accepted.

"I am asked everywhere and every day, 'Where will you locate the Ali-Frazier fight?' " King continued.

"There is no big rush. I have been asked to consider Montreal, the Dominican Republic, Manila, and Cairo, Egypt.

"I have seen many versions of Ali's fight schedule, granted that everything goes right with him.

"He will fight Frazier next and then two lesser contenders before ending up with Foreman.

"What will Ali do after he is finished as a fighter? I have no idea. I have not discussed it with him. I believe that he has no plans for joining up in promoting fights. He will not have to act with a money-interest.

"New York right now does not figure in Frazier and Foreman plans. The big city is in a financial crunch. It is in no shape right now to talk millions fistically.

"When Ali hangs up the gloves, what then?

"There will be another heavyweight to take over. Boxing was on its knees when he came along. He saved the game. Nobody else could have done it the way he has.

"You remember how badly boxing needed an exciting heavyweight, then along came Jack Dempsey. It never will fail to keep the pot boiling.

"Boxing will never die. It is here to stay and with good promoting and planning, plus proper regulating, it will prosper!

"The proposed conglomerate we spoke of earlier would be backed by 100 million dollars.

"One of the assets I would get control of is a television organization. That is a necessity in a complete setup. I would not try to run it. One thing you may rest assured of. I know my limitations.

"I have attempted to be good for boxing and feel I have been a goodwill ambassador for the United States. Think of all the foreign money these big fights bring into America!"

King is a man with vision, hard working, and in love with his role as a wheeler and dealer.

The latest word on the Ali-Frazier fight is this: Don King has decided to promote it in Madison Square Garden, New York.

The money he has got together for a Manila fight has been transferred to New York.

King has decided that the fight belongs in New York and in New York it will be fought. The first two Ali-Frazier fights were fought in the Garden and were tremendous successes in every way.

GALINDEZ - AHUMADA "PLAY IT AGAIN SAM"

By JOHN ORT

Ahumada runs out of gas in the twelfth Galindez makes it 4 out of 5 over Ahumada,

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York — W.B.A. light heavyweight champion Victor Galindez, 174, Argentina, retained his crown with a 15 round unanimous decision over countryman Jorge Ahumada, 175, which was the first half of two championship bouts held in the Garden. The other contest being the middleweight title bout between Monzon-Licata.

The bout started out slowly with Ahumada doing most of the boxing, with Galindez countering from off the ropes. Round 1 and 2 saw little or no action.

Round three ended up with Jorge on his back at the bell, or was it after the bell? It seems that at the bell Galindez cut loose a left hook, which hit Ahumada on the button, when he put his hands down thinking the round ended.

Referee Jimmy Devlin gave Jorge the 8 count, but later said that he was not allowing the knockdown "because it came after the bell."

Neither was he penalizing Galindez "because it wasn't intentional, more of a reflex, and it didn't do any damage."

Clancy, Jorge's manager stated after the bout that "the no knockdown took the fight out of my man." Later Devlin stated it was a knockdown.

Ahumada came back to win the 4th going away. Galindez looked like anything but a champion.

In the 5th and 6th rounds it looked as if Galindez was starting to make his move. He landed with good left hooks to the head and body and now and then a right lead to the head.

Jorge won both the 7th and 8th rounds, scoring with a good left jab and short rights to the face of the champion. He opened a cut over Galindez's left eyebrow with a short right in the 8th. Victor's people said it was a butt.

Galindez came out mad in the ninth and pressed Jorge for the first time in the contest.

Ahumada won both the 10th and 11th, staying on top of the champ giving him no room to counter.

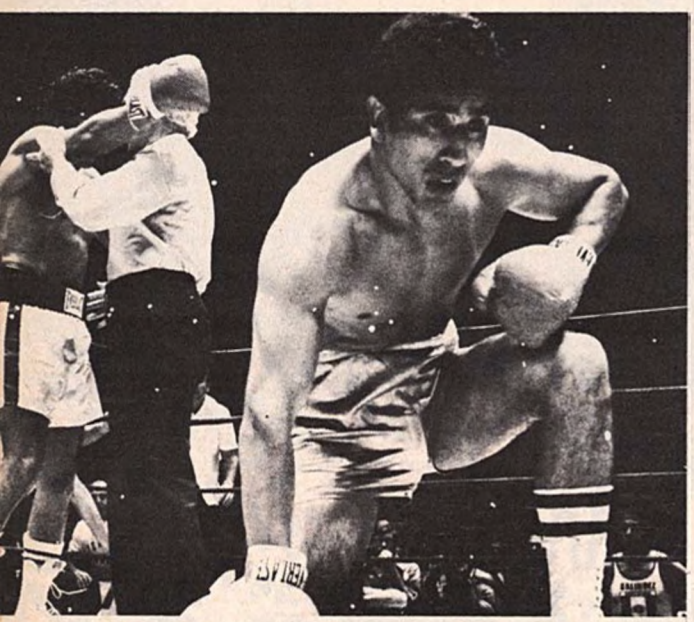
The turning point in the bout was the 12th, when Galindez tagged Jorge with a left hook and right to the head. Ahumada was hurt and ran the rest of the round.

In the 13th, Ahumada opened another cut on the face of Galindez, this time over the right eyelid. This did not win the round for Jorge. Galindez was now in charge landing everything he threw.

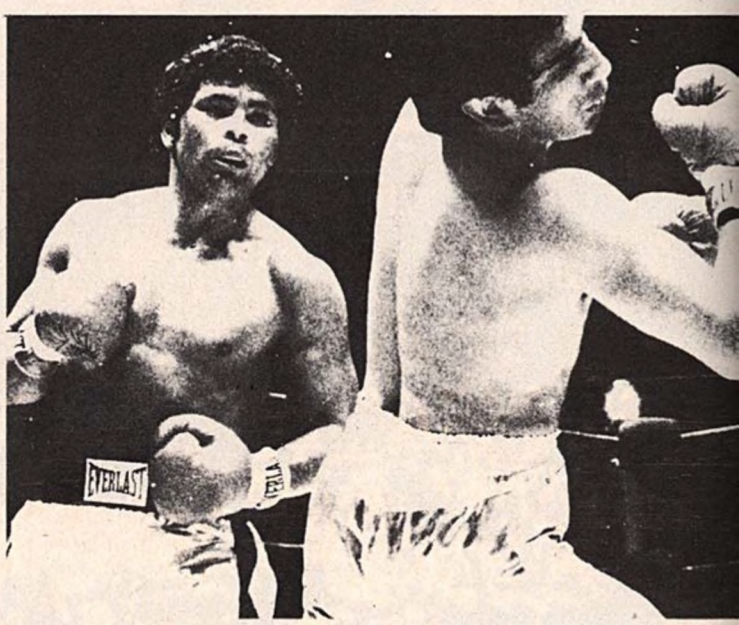
The last two rounds were all Galindez' pulling out a decision with his famous fast finish.

Referee Jimmy Devlin scored it 9-5-1, judge Bill Recht had it 10-3-2 and Argentina official Raul Amadeo called it 6-2-7, all for Galindez. I scored 8-7, Galindez.

Galindez' next bout will be in South Africa against Pierre Fourie, whom he beat early in the year. He hopes to box W.B.C. champion John Conteh, England, before the year is out.

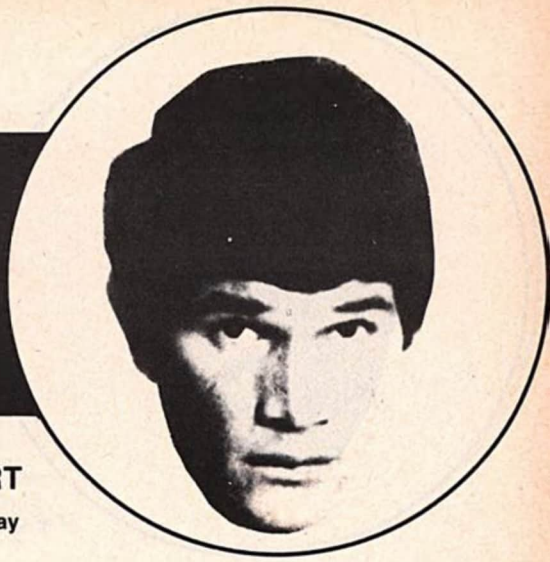


Jorge Ahumada getting up from a 3rd round knockdown. by champion Victor Galindez, in the title bout at Madison Square Garden. Referee Jimmy Devlin holds Galindez.



W.B.A. light heavyweight king Victor Galindez scores with a left hook to the jaw of countryman Jorge Ahumada (right) in the 4th round. Galindez wins by a unanimous decision.

MONZON'S RATING DETERMINED BY LICATA



By JOHN ORT

Licata Had No Guns To Keep Monzon Away

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York — World middleweight champion Carlos Monzon, 159¾, Argentina, stopped New Orleans' Tony Licata, 160, at 2:43 of the 10th round.

The first four rounds had the champion pressing the 23-year-old boxer, who moved side to side in and out keeping out of range of Monzon's big guns.

Monzon scored big in the 5th, when he tagged Licata with 7 shots in a row. He landed four left hooks and three rights to the jaw of Licata, without a punch in return. Tony hung on until the end of the round, looking hurt.

The 6th and 7th rounds had the Argentine champion scoring at will, with Tony trying to stay out of trouble. Carlos looking a bit slow and the famous right hand landing with little power. This was due to his 8 month layoff.

Round 8 seemed to be going Licata's way. He opened with a triple left hook to the champ's face, following with his best shot of the fight, a right hand to the jaw of Monzon. Carlos came back in a rage connecting with a left hook to the body and a right to the head which decked Tony for an eight count. Carlos kept up the attack scoring at will with the bell saving Licata from a kayo.

Tony came out in the 9th giving it everything he had left. He went at it toe to toe with the champion but ended up on the short end.

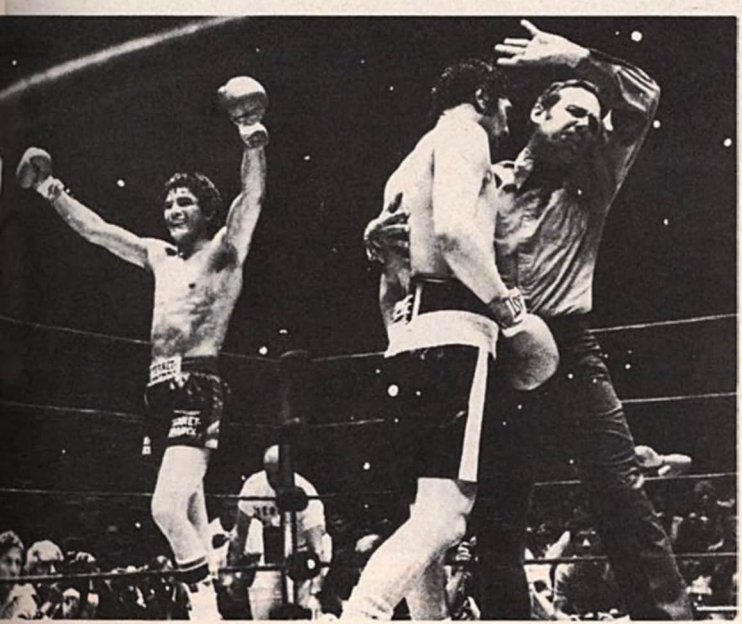
Monzon started the 10th with fire in his eyes. The champ's right hand now looked like the right of the past. He chased Licata from one side of the ring to the other. Tony looked tired, and was tagged by a left, right to the body and head. He was on the floor again. Licata looked to his corner in dismay, but got up only to be hit with a right on the chin which put him on the deck for the second and last time. Referee Tony Perez waved a halt to the bout as Tony was slowly getting to his feet.

Monzon's manager, Carlos Lectoure, stated after the bout, "This is the American System, but it was bad. It is a crime to let this fight go on. They should have stopped it in the 8th round."

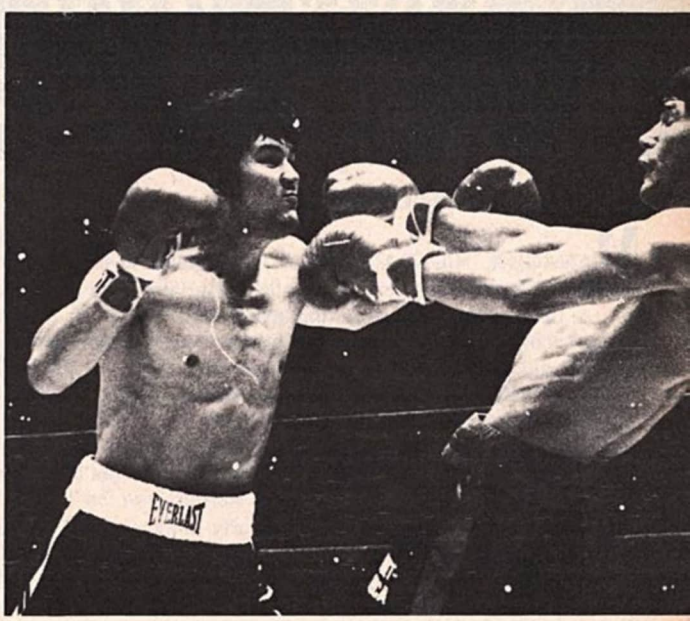
Monzon said, "Licata was very courageous, more courageous than his punches."

Licata's only statement was "I tried to punch with him and I paid the consequences. Monzon is a slow puncher, but I walked right into those right hands."

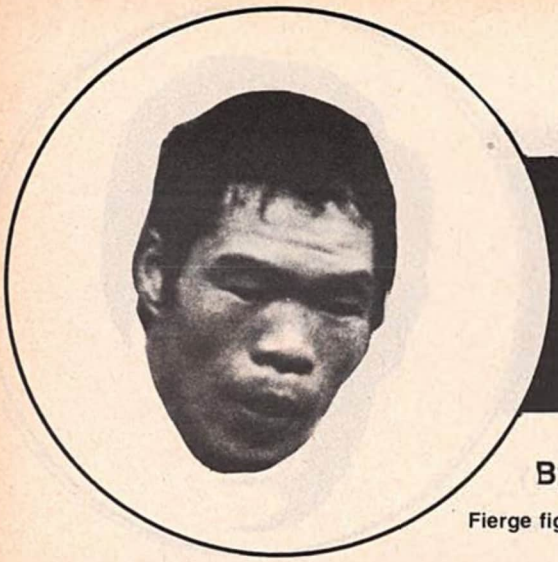
Monzon's next fight will be against W.B.C. champion Rodrigo Valdez, of Colombia, this fall, after he finishes a movie in Argentina.



Carlos Monzon walks around the ring with a victory smile, as referee Tony Perez waves the end of the contest in the tenth with Tony Licata in his arms.



Tony Licata pushes champion Carlos Monzon back against the ropes, in the first round of their title bout at Madison Square Garden. Monzon won via TKO in the 10th.



SUZUKI OF JAPAN DEFEATS PINEDA OF MEXICO

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

Fierge fighting in extreme heat sees Suzuki score over Pineda to retain WBC lightweight title.

Arturo Pineda on receiving end of hard right thrown by WBC 135 pound champ in 8th round at Osaka with Ishimatsu Suzuki retaining his title in 15 round decision.

TOKYO, JAPAN — Guts (Suzuki) Ishimatsu decisioned Tury Pineda of Mexico in 15 hard-fought rounds to retain the WBC's version of the 135-pound title. Their rematch, the main of a triple title go, drew a capacity crowd of 14,000 customers at Kinki University Memorial Hall, Osaka.

The contest was as close as their 15-round draw in Nagoya in September last year. The decision was unanimous.

Referee Jim Scarmosy, Texas, scored the affair 148-144, while Mexican judge Pedro Mendoza and Japanese Nobumitsu Inukai had it 148-147 and 148-145 respectively, all for Ishimatsu.

Reaction of the sell-out crowd was a bit different than the official nod. Tury, aggressive all the way, might have deserved a decision, if his positive attack had been evaluated rather than Guts' avenge in later rounds.

Pineda was tough opposition, as expected. Though outjabbed or

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ARGUELLO SCORES TKO OVER RIASCO IN FEATHER . . . IN 2

By JOSE VENTURA

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA — Alexis Arguello, of Nicaragua, who is the world featherweight champion, defeated Rigoberto Riasco, of Panama, without getting up a sweat.

The second round had gone two minutes when the feather from Panama said good night to a goodly turnout.

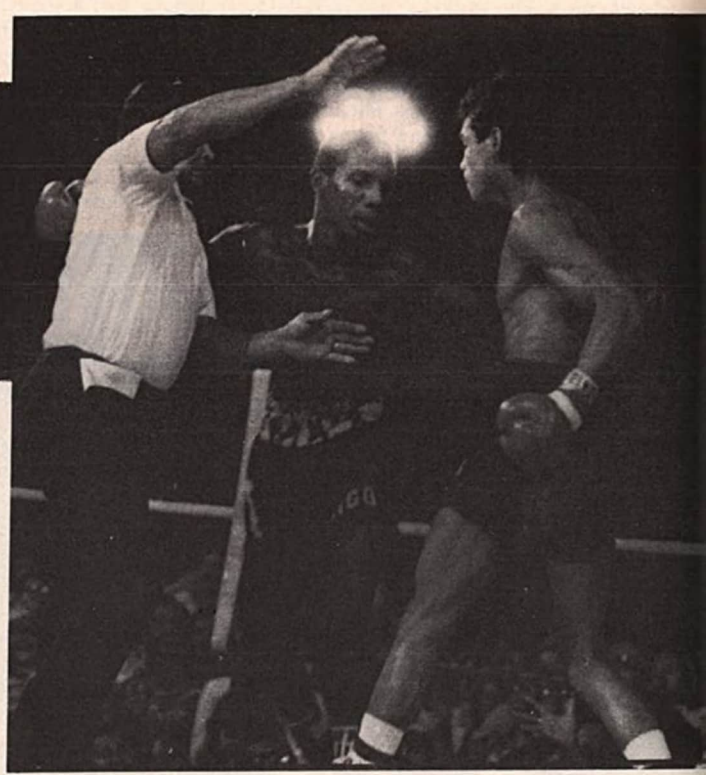
It was a TKO, when referee Ferly Carpentier stopped the bout.

The loser was sagging on the ropes and in no condition to go on with the scrap, which was a mismatch to begin with.

It was an insult to the titleholder's skill to have put him in the same ring with Riasco.

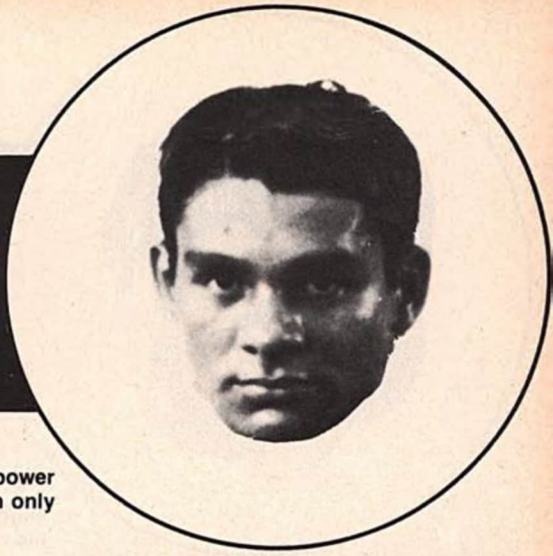
Arguello sent his man to the canvas early in the second.

When the referee told the Panamanian not to bother any more, Luis Espada, manager of the loser, let out a howl. He said that Riasco was fit to continue. But Espada did not volunteer to take Riasco's place.



The world featherweight champion, Alexis Arguello, of Nicaragua, knocked out Rigoberto Riasco, of Panama in two rounds in Nicaragua.

DURAN WINS IN 62Sc. OVER PETERSON IN FIRST ROUND



By HANK KAPLAN

Roberto Duran, of Panama, lightweight champion of the world, showed devastating power in his non title bout with Peterson in Miami Beach, Florida. Peterson was finished in only 62 seconds of round one.

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA — Joining a score of World Champions who have exhibited their wares under the promotional direction of Chris Dundee, Roberto Duran, the 135 pound king, Panama, 139¼, moved into town for a few days and departed with a sudden fury — like the dynamiter who spent days preparing his demolition, then spent seconds pressing the switch. Before a shocked crowd of almost 4,000 fans at the new Miami Beach Convention Hall the champion eradicated Jose Peterson, 138½, San Juan, Puerto Rico, in 62 seconds of the first round after three knockdowns forced referee Cy Gottfried to stop the fight in accordance with the Miami Beach Boxing Commission rules.

Jose Peterson, who had beaten Frankie Otero on Miami Beach, Clemente Mucino in Mexico City and Jimmy Heair in California, figured to give Duran a fight in the early rounds but never got started. Only seconds after the opening bell, Duran caught Peterson with a straight right on the chin and dropped him for the first knockdown. Peterson arose groggy but sailed into Duran with both hands and landed a left hook to the head of the champ, hardly phasing his composure.

Instead, Duran flailed away as if he were defending his laurels and caught Peterson with a

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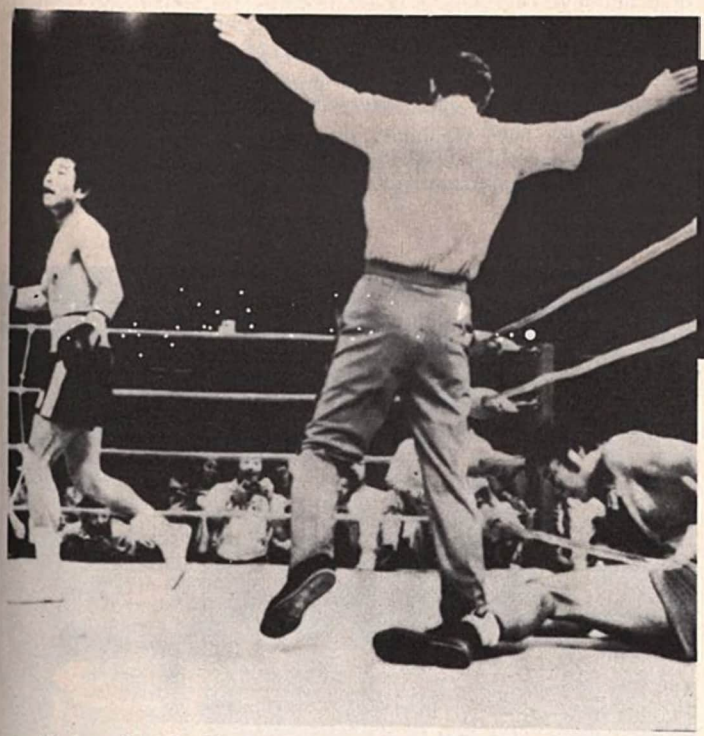
Jose Peterson, on the canvas for the third and last time as Roberto Duran stands over him after the last punch had been thrown.



Referee Yosaku Yoshida signals victory for South Korean Jae Do Yuh after Japan's Koichi Wajima had been on the canvas three times in the seventh round. The fight took place in Japan and was for the world junior middleweight title.

SO. KOREA'S JAE-DO YU UPSETS WAJIMA FOR JUNIOR MIDDLE CROWN

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

NORTH KYUSHU CITY — Japan's Koichi Wajima lost the world junior middleweight title when he was knocked out by Jae-Do Yuh, Korean, Orient champ, in 7 furious rounds.

Wajima hit the deck three times, then referee Yusaku Yoshida called an automatic stoppage. It was Yuh's vaunted power that caused the upset. Jae-Do became the third Korean to seize the world title, following Ki-Soo Kim and Hwan-Hong Soo. Ki-Soo beat Italian Nino Benvenuti in 15 rounds to take world title of the 154-pound class in Seoul, 1966. Soo was a bantamweight champion, until he was finished off by Alfonso Zamora, Mexican, last March.

Wajima and Yuh entered the ring at 154 pounds. Some 12,000 customers were in attendance to see Wajima's first defense. The Japanese recaptured the title by upsetting Oscar Alvarado in

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CANTO GETS VERDICT GONZALEZ HOLLERS LOUD

By EDUARDO AMER

Miguel Canto, flyweight champ, wins 15 round decision from Betuilio Gonzalez to retain his crown.

MONTERREY, MEXICO — Miguel Canto, 111, the 26 year-old from Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, won a 15 round decision from Betulio Gonzalez, 110, from Venezuela, in the local bullring Plaza Monumental, to retain his world flyweight title and avenge the dubious decision that he lost with the same man a couple of years before in Maracaibo.

The clever little champion was a master all through his first defense of the crown, which he obtained last January.

Betulio was never able to capitalize on his greater strength and punch.

Canto showed his better technique and greater speed of legs and hands, but, again, it was his use of his left hand which was mostly responsible for this triumph.

After a start that showed ability, the challenger started pressing and walking forward to score some good blows to the champion's face. For a while, it looked as if Canto was going to mistake, especially when Miguel accepted a violent dialogue at short distance, where the offensive capacity of the South American was definitely to his advantage, mainly because of the stronger punch. Many thought at that time that the Maracaibo story might be repeated. We remembered how Canto began that fight giving Gonzalez a lesson in the art of boxing and lost the decision because of a slow finish.

But at this time the champion, making some two thousand yucatecans which followed him from his native State, go wild while giving him a continuous ovation during the demonstration of good boxing which he provided. His combinations were fast and some of his blows really surprised his challenger.

Miguel Canto executed a sincronized fight all the time and his boxing style made Gonzalez miss when he escaped from the fire zone, and at the same time answering with left hooks and upper cuts with his right. All of them exploding in Betulio's face. He had taken full command of the situation and was winning in style.

In the fourteenth round, the third man in the ring, the American Jay Edson, stopped the fight to tell Gonzalea about hitting with the elbows. In the last round, Canto opened his own guard and went forward to fight power to power, accepting the Gonzalez's own style of interchanging blows in a dangerous demonstration of vigor and courage; once again he came up on top and looked better than his opponent. There was no knockdowns.

The biggest surprise of all came after the fight. The decision was not unanimous. Jay Edson voted 149-146 for Canto; Mexican judge, Jose Juan Guerra scored 147-144 for Canto, but. . .the Venezuelan judge, Rafael Cartaya, had it 145-144 in favor of his country fellow. The boos for Mr. Cartaya must have been heard all the way down to Caracas. This correspondent for THE RING scored 149-146 for the champion.

The program itself resulted in a great fiasco for the Venezuelan matchmaker Rafito Cedeno. According to some observers, the re-

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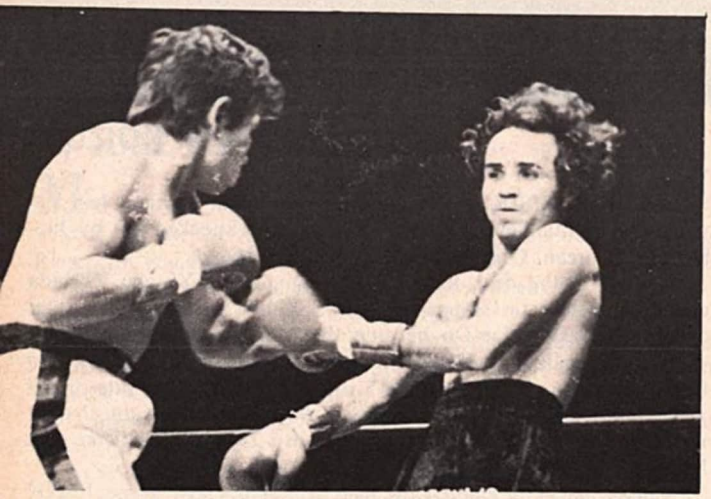


Betulio drops his guard as Canto moves in with a left and proves to be the champ all the way.

Canto connects with another left to Gonzalez' jaw and his superior boxing proves out with the judges final decision.

In Action

RUBEN OLIVARES IN 2nd ROUND KNOCKOUT

By DON FRASER

Ruben Olivares, a WBC champ in action, displayed his ring savvy in defeating Bobby Chacon at Inglewood, California.

NEW YORK, N.Y. — When the bell rang for the Chacon-Olivares fight, Bobby was the holder of the WBC version of the featherweight title, while the WBA champion was Alex Arguello, of Nicaragua.

Olivares was knocked out by Arguello in the 13th round last November 24th.

Now, with Arguello's win over Olivares, and Olivares' triumph over Chacon, Ring Magazine joins the WBA in recognizing Arguello as featherweight champion of the world.

Some boxers win by knockout or on points. Some fighters lose by TKO or disqualification. However, seldom does a pugilist lose the way Bobby Chacon did in his fruitless effort to beat Ruben Olivares and to make solid his claim to the featherweight title.

The peculiarity of the Chacon defeat lay in the fact that he gave up the bout before he climbed into the ring; it was lost in the training camp and on the scales.

As the night of the fight neared, Chacon, to his intense dismay, found that he had grown into a welterweight. He had only ten days to get rid of 16 pounds, in order to make the featherweight limit of 126 pounds. Unfortunately, the Herculean task which he was forced to struggle with, in trying to make the 126 pound mark, left him so weak that he was totally unfit to fight in the flyweight class.

It was an act of mercy on the part of referee Larry Rozadella, when he stopped the fight two minutes and 29 seconds into the second round. Chacon had already been decked twice. The first knockdown was the result of a right, while the second was produced by a left hook.

The result of the fight left the Mexican sector of Los Angeles in mourning, and made fans down in Mexico jubilant.

The scales have been the downfall of numerous boxers when they could not make a class weight, but the situation which led to Chacon's defeat was almost without precedent.

It seems that Chacon's sad dilemma was known to the Olivares camp throughout the last ten days of training. Said Olivares after the fight, "Bobby was beaten by the scales before I laid a glove on him."

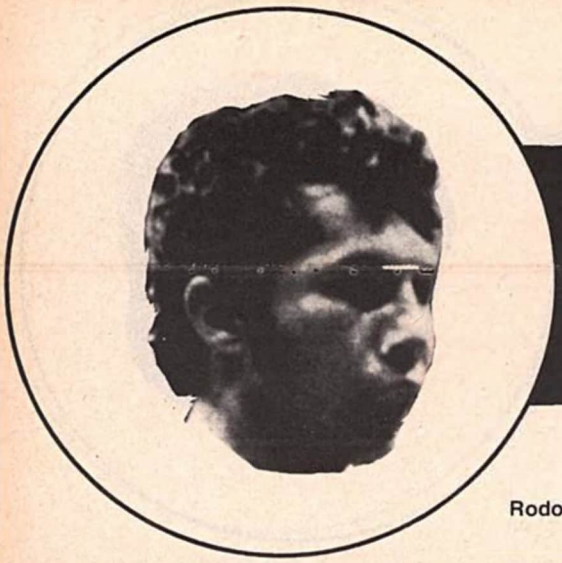
Under-Card — Canada's Art Hafey, 125, halted Yambito Blanco, Nicaragua, 127, in five rounds. Hafey is now rated No. 2 in the world featherweight ratings.

Mexican bantamweight Carlos Zarate, 118, halted Orlando Amoros, Panama, 117, at 57 seconds of the third round.

A forum throng of 18,770 paid a gross rate estimated at $421,000, a California record.

Ruben Olivares sends Bobby Chacon to the canvas with smashing lefts and rights for the first of two knockdowns, on his way to a second round K.O.

Mexican fans elated join Ruben Olivares in celebrating his victory over Bobby Chacon.

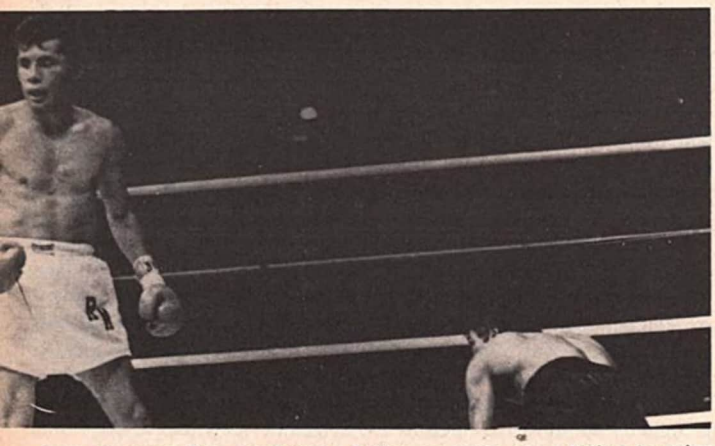


The Champs In Action

MARTINEZ RETAINS TITLE STOPS JIMENEZ

By JUAN ORTEGA

Rodolfo Martinez, the WBC Bantamweight champion, wins in an 8 round decision.



Jose Jimenez, knocked down in the seventh, seen trying to raise himself off the canvas before fatal eighth round TKO.

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA — Rodolfo Martinez, of Mexico, retained the WBC version of the bantamweight title with an eighth round stoppage of Nestor Baba Jiminez, of Colombia, who was badly beaten.

The WBA recognizes another Mexican, Alfonso Zamora, as the bantam title holder. There seems to be no chance of a Rodolfo-Alfonso meeting to settle the ownership of the world championship at 118 pounds.

There was no doubt about the superiority of the winner over Jiminez, whose manager would not let him come out for the eighth round. He had taken too much of a beating, even for $12,000.

Martinez got $70,000 for his end of the festivities.

Martinez is 26, and it was his first defense of the WBC title he took from Herrera. Martinez now shows 41 wins, 34 of them by KOs.

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VALDEZ DECKS MENDEZ EXITS IN EIGHTH

By JUAN ORTEGA

CALI, COLOMBIA — Rodrigo Valdes, of Colombia, still owns the WBC version of the world middleweight championship. He defended that title with elan against Ramon Mendez of Argentina, who left the ring after a KO in the eighth round.

When Mendez made his exit, he was one of the most thoroughly whipped fighters of the year, to date, in an important battle.

It was not a fight for the world title, unconditionally, since Carlos Monzon held the world championship.

But insofar as Mendez, an Argentinian, was concerned, he could have been fighting Muhammad Ali on one of his big nights.

Mendez was so thoroughly trounced that he hit the deck no fewer than seven times. He got up only to be belted down again. He did achieve some sort of distinction for refusing to stay down.

Ramon Mendez, the challenger, would not remain on the deck

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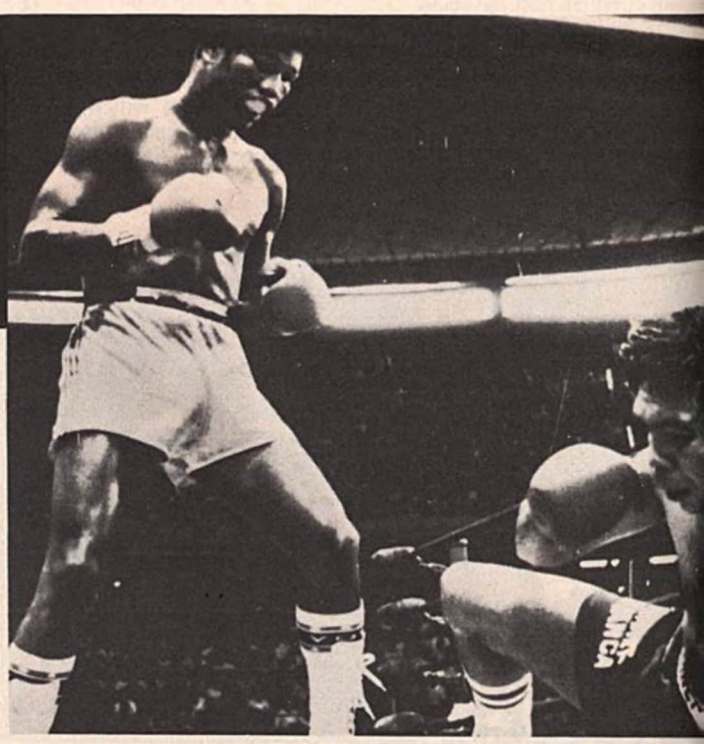
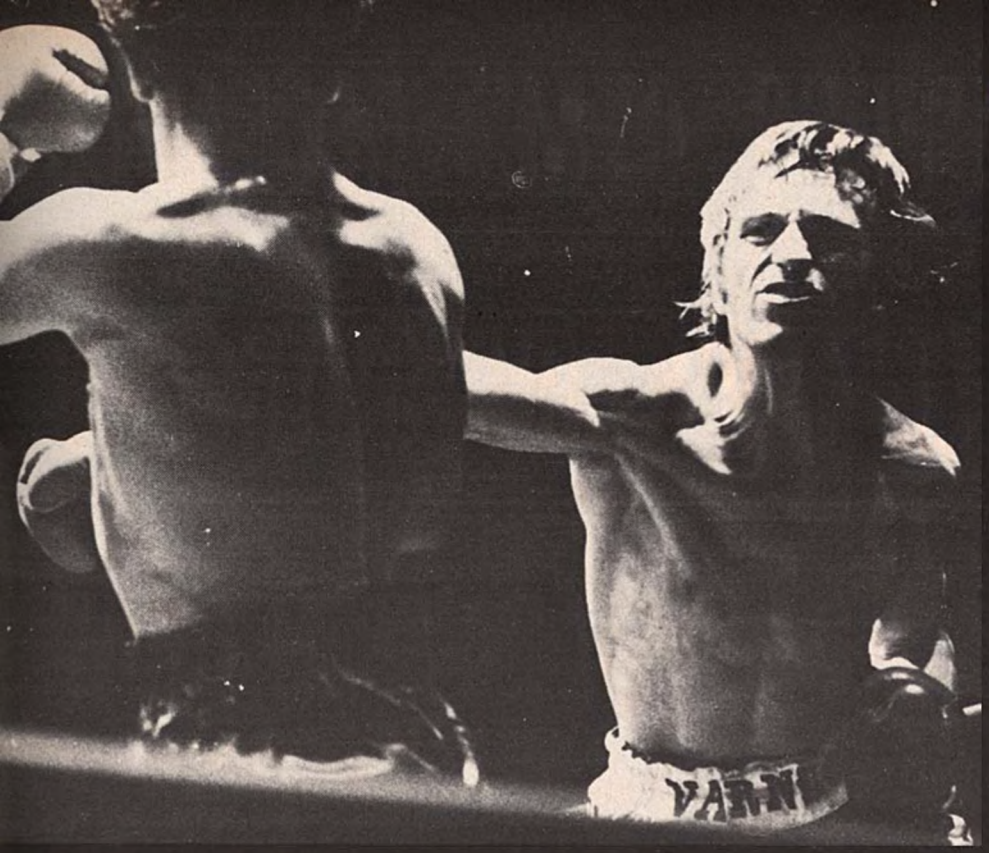


Rodrigo Valdes retains world middleweight championship after defeating Ramon Mendez. The end came in the eighth round as Mendez hit the deck seven times.



PAULSEN AROUSED NORWAY TO HIGH FISTIC PITCH

(Above) Svein Erik Paulsen, seen throwing a right at Lothar Abend, winning the European junior lightweight championship in the 3rd round of their encounter. (Below) Svein raises his arms in victory in his second successful defense against Spain's Domingo Giminez.

By HUSSE FARSTAD

IN May last year Svein Erik Paulsen became the first Norwegian fighter to hold an officially recognized title. At Jordal Amfi hockey stadium in Oslo, he kayoed Lothar Abend, Germany, in the third round, to capture the European junior lightweight crown. "Spike" Paulsen was all over the champion from the start, and the German was completely outclassed by his taller opponent.

The only Norwegian previously holding a "title" was bantamweight Pete Sanstol. In 1931 he was recognized as the world champion by the Montreal Boxing Commission, but the same year he lost on points to Panama Al Brown — the official bantamweight champ.

Paulsen was 26 years old when he turned pro in January 1973. Norwegian promoters had then tried to get him over in the professional ranks for six years, but Svein Erik was not satisfied with the offers.

Besides, he liked being an amateur. He won the national title seven times (welterweight, junior welterweight and lightweight), and he reached the quarter finals in both the Olympic Games and the European championships.

Svein Erik is very tall (5 ft 10) for a junior lightweight of 130 pounds. He dominates the fights with his long reach, but he pulls effective hooks and uppercuts as well as right shots.

In 15 fights "Spike" has won 5 inside the distance, the rest on points. Among his kayo victims were then European featherweight champions "Gypsy" Jiminez of Spain and Italian Giorgio Merlin.

As an amateur Paulsen won 135 out of 160. More than half of his wins came within three rounds. Among his kayo victims were Olympic participants Gennadi Dobrokhotov, Russia, and Peter Hess, West Germany.

As to his height and reach, Svein Erik is the "Bob Foster" of the

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"GLEASON'S GYM" REPLACES STILLMAN'S ON GOTHEM'S MAP AS BOBBY WINS CITATION

By HARRY WARREN

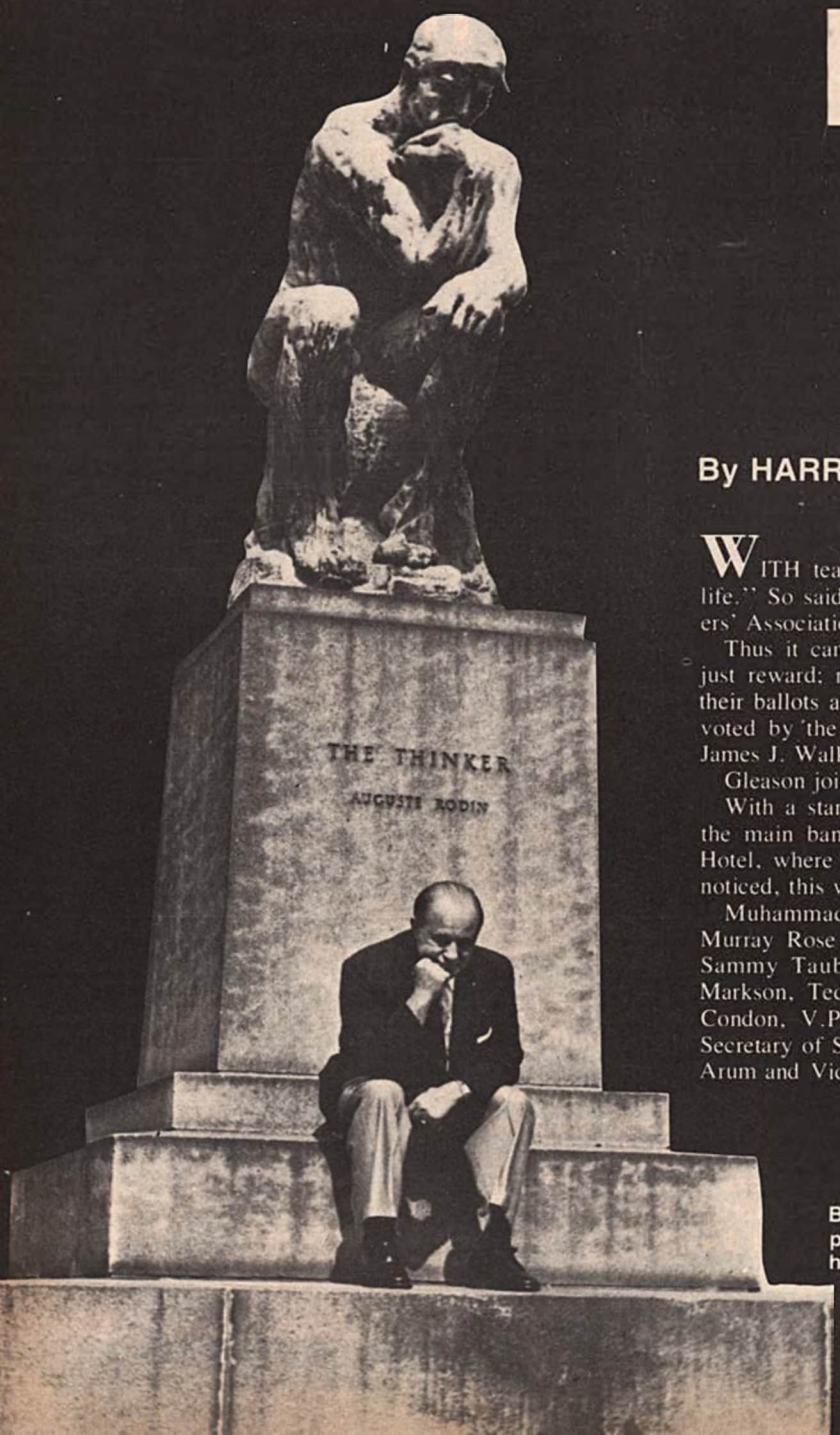
WITH tears in his eyes, he said, "This is the happiest day of my life." So said Bobby Gleason. He was the recipient of the Boxing Writers' Association James J. Walker award.

Thus it came to pass that the Dean of boxing managers received his just reward; recognition by his peers. The boxing writers had rendered their ballots and Bobby received the "Fountain of Youth" tonic. He was voted by the national boxing writers organization to receive the 33rd James J. Walker award, "for long and meritorious service to boxing."

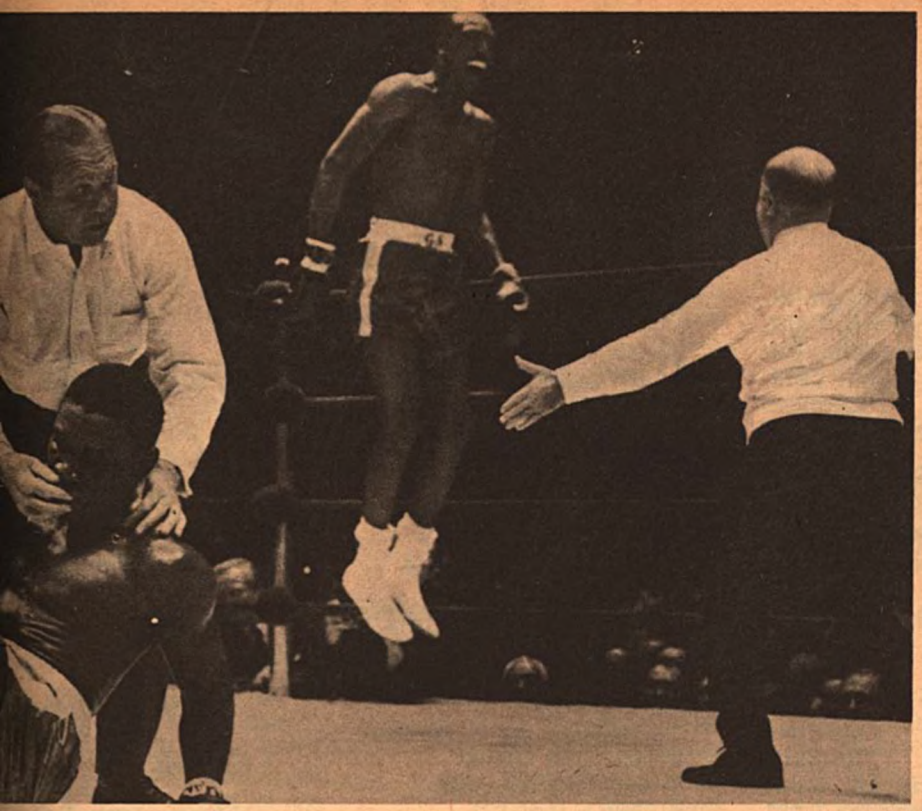
Gleason joins the honor scroll which reads like a "Who's Who."

With a standing ovation from a gathering of sport and boxing greats, the main banquet hall was an ideal choice for this dinner. The Plaza Hotel, where dignitaries reside, where sports personalities are sure to be noticed, this was the scene.

Muhammad Ali, Joe Frazier, Roberto Duran, Herbert Muhammad, Murray Rose and Jack Hand of the Associated Press, Nat Loubet and Sammy Taub of The Ring Magazine, Ray Arcel, Joe Louis, Harry Markson, Teddy Brenner, (The Master of Ceremonies was John F. X. Condon, V.P. and Publicist for the Garden boxing), James A. Farley, Secretary of State of New York, Mario Cuomo, Top Rank executive Bob Arum and Video Techniques executive and promoter Don King.



Bobby Gleason ponders his 70+ years in pugilism and the changes he and the sport have gone through.



(Left) Trainer-cornerman Bobby Gleason shares a moment of victory with his fighter Bob Foster, upon Foster's winning the light heavyweight championship from Dick Tiger. (Above) Gleason's "enterprises" include his being a gym owner, trainer, manager, promoter, matchmaker, and sometime referee.

Promoter Mickey Duff flew over from London with Andy Smith, who is the manager for European heavyweight champion Joe Bugner.

Let's backtrack to June 29, 1892, the day that Peter Robert Galiardy (Bobby Gleason) was born. Mr. and Mrs. Galiardy immigrated to the United States from Pescara, Italy, and settled in New York, in 1885. "Growing up in a tough neighborhood like the Bronx," recalls Bobby, "was a fight for existence."

The fact Bobby became a fighter is easy to understand. "With a guinea name like Galiardy, living in a Mick (Irish) neighborhood meant we would be given Hell," said Bobby, "I ran around with a gang and became quite a fighter on the streets."

"I received a lot of abuse when it was found out that my name was Galiardy, especially later when I turned to boxing, so I changed my name." As an afterthought, "Guys really don't know what I am, some think I'm Jewish, some think I'm Irish, and others just wonder."

Gleason is a walking boxing encyclopedia. Visiting him in his gym, I was amazed at the size of the three storied venue, with its space, the two full-sized rings, half a dozen speed-balls, several punch-bags, mirrored area for shadow boxers, and looking right down over the rings, three life-sized portraits, one of Joe Frazier, the other Muhammad Ali and in between, his honor—Bobby Gleason.

The entrance, on street level, at 252 West 30th Street, only two blocks from Madison Square Garden, has become quite a

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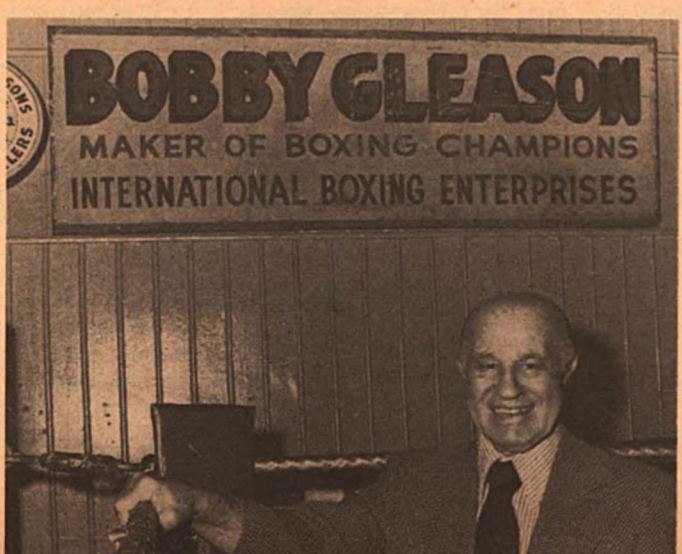

(Above) Gleason and his fighter Nino Valdez both beam as the ex-heavyweight contender is congratulated by Lord Harlech in London. (Left) 83-year-old Bobby Gleason, in his gym, has no intention of retiring in the near future.

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HEAVYWEIGHTS

(over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY)	Chicago, Ill.
1—GEORGE FOREMAN	Hayward, Calif.
2—JOE FRAZIER	Philadelphia, Pa.
3—KEN NORTON	San Diego, Calif.
4—BUNNY JOHNSON	England
5—JIMMY YOUNG	Philadelphia, Pa.
6—JOE BUGNER	England
7—EARNIE SHAVERS	Warren, Ohio
8—OSCAR BONAVENA	Argentina
9—RON LYLE	Denver, Colo.
10—CHUCK WEPNER	Bayonne, N.J.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

(not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

TITLE VACANT

1—VICTOR GALINDEZ*	Argentina
2—JOHN CONTEH**	England
3—LEN HUTCHINS	Detroit, Mich.
4—ALVARO LOPEZ	Stockton, Calif.
5—RICHIE KATES	Philadelphia, Pa.
6—JORGE AHUMADA	Argentina
7—TOM BETHEA	New York, N.Y.
8—BOBBY CASSIDY	Brentwood, N.Y.
9—BOB FOSTER	Albuquerque, N.M.
10—AVENAMAR PERALTA	Argentina

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

(not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS MONZON*	Argentina
1—RODRIGO VALDEZ**	Colombia
2—GRATIEN TONNA	France
3—VITO ANTUOFERMO	Brooklyn, N.Y.
4—TONY LICATA	New Orleans, La.
5—GEORGE COOPER	Oakland, Calif.
6—RUDY ROBLES	Los Angeles, Calif.
7—WILLIE MONROE	Philadelphia, Pa.
8—KEVIN FINNEGAN	England
9—EDDIE GREGORY	New York, N.Y.
10—BUNNY STERLING	England

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS

(not over 154 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

JAE DO YUH*	South Korea
1—MIGUEL de OLIVIERA**	Brazil
2—ELISHA OBED	Nassau, Bahamas
3—KOICHI WAJIMA	Japan
4—MIKE BAKER	Spartanburg, S.C.
5—LEO SAENZ	Baltimore, Md.
6—JOSE DURAN	Spain
7—MIGUEL CASTELLINI	Argentina
8—MAURICE HOPE	England
9—OSCAR ALVARADO	Uvalde, Texas
10—JAMES MARSHALL	San Francisco, Calif.

WELTERWEIGHTS

(not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

JOSE NAPOLES**	Mexico
1—ANGEL ESPADA	Puerto Rico
2—JOHN STRACEY	England
3—CLYDE GRAY	Canada
4—ARMANDO MUNIZ	Los Angeles, Calif.
5—JOHNNY GANT	Washington D.C.
6—NICK ORTIZ	Puerto Rico
7—BRUNO ARCARI	Italy
8—HEDGEMON LEWIS	Detroit, Mich.
9—FAUSTO RODRIGUEZ	Dominican Rep.
10—ROCKY MATTIOLI	Australia

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

(not over 140 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

ANTONIO CERVANTES*	Colombia
1—HECTOR THOMPSON	Australia
2—PEDRO FERNANDEZ**	Spain
3—MONRO BROOKS	Los Angeles, Calif.
4—ESTEBAN DeJESUS	Puerto Rico
5—SHENGSAK MUANGSURIN	Thailand
6—LEONCIO ORTIZ	Mexico
7—TONI ORTIZ	Spain
8—TONY PETRONELLI	Brockton, Mass.
9—HECTOR MATTA	Puerto Rico
10—CARLOS GIMINEZ	Argentina

LIGHTWEIGHTS

(not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

ROBERTO DURAN*	Panama
1—RAY LAMPKIN	Portland, Ore.
2—ISHIMATSU SUZUKI**	Japan
3—ANGEL MAYORAL	Las Vegas, Nev.
4—KEN BUCHANAN	Scotland
5—HUGO BARRAZA	Colombia
6—HECTOR MEDINA	Puerto Rico
7—ARTURO PINEDA	Mexico
8—HUGO GUTIERREZ	Argentina
9—FRANKIE BENITEZ	Puerto Rico
10—RUDY BARRO	Philippines

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

(not over 130 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

BEN VILLAFLOR*	Philippines
1—TYRONE EVERETT	Philadelphia, Pa.
2—SVEN-ERIK PAULSEN	Norway
3—KUNIAKI SHIBATA	Japan
4—RAY LUNNY III	San Carlos, Calif.
5—SAMUEL SERRANO	Puerto Rico
6—BOBBY CHACON	Los Angeles, Calif.
7—VICTOR ECHEGARAY	Argentina
8—APOLLO YOSHIO	Japan
9—ALFREDO ESCALERA	Puerto Rico
10—BEN ORTIZ	Puerto Rico

FEATHERWEIGHTS

(not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

ALEXIS ARGUELLO*	Nicarasua
1—RUBEN OLIVARES**	Mexico
2—ART HAFEY	Canada
3—ROYAL KOBAYASHI	Japan
4—SHIG FUKUYAMA	Japan
5—ELIO COTINA	Italy
6—ARNOLD TAYLOR	South Africa
7—ROMEO ANAYA	Mexico
8—LIONEL HERNANDEZ	Venezuela
9—RONNIE McGARVEY	Hillcrest Hgts., Md.
10—JOSE CASAS	Argentina

BANTAMWEIGHTS

(not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

ALFONSO ZAMORA*	Mexico
1—RODOLFO MARTINEZ**	Mexico
2—THANOMJIT SUKOTHAI	Thailand
3—CARLOS ZARATE	Mexico
4—RAFAEL HERRERA	Mexico
5—EUSEBIO PEDROZA	Panama
6—SOO HWAN HONG	South Korea
7—ANDRES HERNANDEZ	Puerto Rico
8—DAVE NEEDHAM	England
9—DANIEL TROULAIRE	France
10—PAUL FERRERI	Australia

FLYWEIGHTS

(not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION

MIGUEL CANTO**	Mexico
1—SHOJI OGUMA	Japan
2—IGNACIO ESPINOZA	Dominican Rep.
3—BETULIO GONZALEZ	Venzuela
4—ALBERTO MORALES	Mexico
5—ERBIRO SALVARRIA*	Philippines
6—SUSUMU HANAGATA	Japan
7—VICENTE POOL	Mexico
8—FRANCO SPERTI	Italy
9—FRITZ CHERVET	Switzerland
10—LUIS ESTABE	Venzuela

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KOs
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Young Sanford Houpe San Francisco, Calif.	7/74	7	7	0	0	7
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Trento Facciocchi Italy	1/74	12	12	0	0	3
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Joao Mendonca Brazil	11/74	10	10	0	0	10
WELTERWEIGHT						
Jeff Gale England	9/73	8	7	1	0	1
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Juan Hidalgo Miami Beach, Fla.	12/74	8	8	0	0	6
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Lynwood Snowden Philadelphia, Pa.	9/74	5	4	1	0	1
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Wilfredo Gomez Puerto Rico	3/74	4	4	0	0	4
FLYWEIGHT						
Calixto Perez Colombia	6/73	7	5	0	2	0

MUHAMMAD ALI

FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

The Fighter of the Month? Boy! bring the rubber stamp. It says, "Muhammad Ali," heavyweight champion of the world.

Ali made himself the star of the month's action in the rings of the world by beating Joe Bugner, of Britain, champion of Europe, for the second time.

The experts keep telling us that Muhammad has gone back,-that his punch, never never truly powerful, has gone back more and more and his dancing and pirouetting has slowed up. But it seems that there still is a lot left in the 32 year old champion to carry him along from one victory to another, from one Fighter of the Month citation to still another.

Ali got the award from Carlos Monzon, the Argentinian, who holds the world middleweight title.

Monzon made a bid for the citation by beating Tony Licata.

Monzon has made himself a legendary hero and one of the truly great fighters of all time.

Now for the changes in the ratings forced by the results of the month.

To be rec koned with again next month will be Bob Foster, who has returned to the ring after having announced his retirement and given up the world light heavyweight title.

Foster has come back in the role of a challenger. He has no stronger claim to the title than any other contender. That he will prove himself to be the best 175 pounder again is possible.

While he was in retirement John Conteh, the British champion, is now the owner of the WBA version of the world title.

Galindez, the WBA title holder, made his position stronger by beating Jorge Ahumada, whose draw with Fosrer induced Bob to go into his aborted retirement.

New Faces breaking into the ratings are Foster, Bunny Stirling, Willie Monroe, James Marshall, Rocky Matteola, Carlos Giminez, Ronnie McGarvey, Ben Ortiz, Daniel Troulaire, Paul Ferrari, and fly Luis Estabe.

**W.B.C. Champion *W.B.A. Champion

EZZARD CHARLES WORLD CHAMPION AND GENTLEMAN DIES AT EARLY AGE OF 54

By DAN DANIELS

THERE are two heavily overworked cliches in boxing, expecially in the heavyweight class. One is "The most underrated fighter in his class." The other is "The best man, pound for pound, in boxing."

Both were used with abandon in reference to the late Ezzard Mack Charles, once heavyweight champion of the world, who died recently at the age of 54 in Chicago.

Charles was born on July 7, 1921, at Lawrenceville, Ga. and passed away on May 28, 1975.

He had been a wheelchair invalid for some years, suffering from amyotropic lateral sclerosis. The city of Chicago took care of Ezzard in his late years.

Ezz was a quiet, well conducted gentleman, and truly one of the most underrated fighters in boxing history.

As a heavyweight champion he was never more than a couple of pounds over 180. Actually he was only a blownup light heavy. But he fought with intense effort and a never-say-die spirit.

Charles had 122 fights. He won 58 by KO and 38 by decision, with one draw, 18 setbacks by decision and 7 by knockouts.

Charles had a brilliant record as an amateur, achieving many AAU titles and numerous Diamond Belt victories.

In professional boxing he had seven fights of outstanding importance, two each with Rocky Marciano, four with Jersey Joe Walcott, and one with Joe Louis.

Ezz beat Walcott for the NBA heavyweight championship in their first meeting. In their second, Joe beat Ezz for the world heavy title which he later lost to Rocky Marciano, one of the fiercest fights in the history of that division.

Though Charles lost his second battle with Marciano, Ezz split Rocky's nose as if it had been a walnut. Marciano left the ring full of praise for the loser.

The Walcott and Marciano action came after Joe Louis had announced his retirement on March 1, 1949.

With a two and two score against Walcott, to an 0 and 2 against Marciano and a 1 and 0 against Louis, Charles made a spectacular showing in his biggest battle.

Not so much on the total results as in the way Ezzard carried

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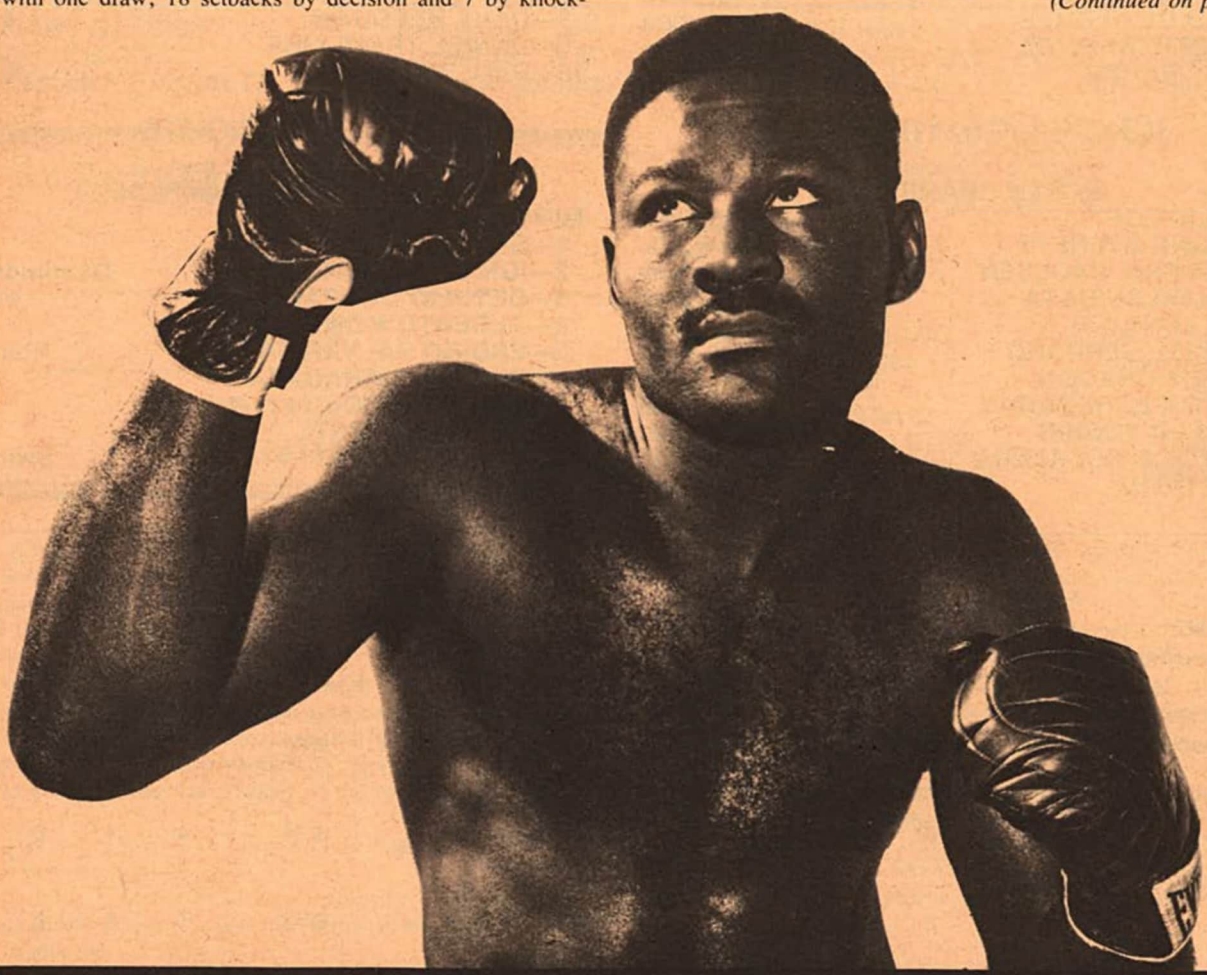
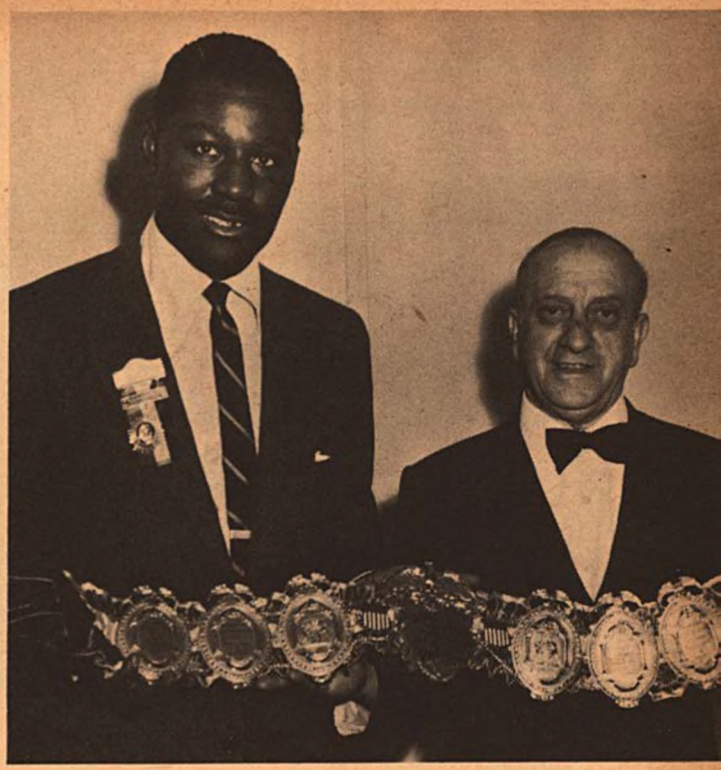


The year is 1954 and Ezzard Charles relaxes with young admirers before his fight for the heavyweight title with Rocky Marciano at Yankee Stadium.



One of the most notable awards given to Ezzard Charles, presented by the late Nat Fleischer, was The Ring World Heavyweight Championship Belt.

EZZARD MACK CHARLES

Born, July 7, 1921 Lawrenceville, Georgia

ELECTED BOXING HALL OF FAME 1970

The Major fights in Ezzard Charles Professional Career

June 22, 1949—Ezzard Charles defeated Jersey Joe Walcott in 15 rounds. Charles, 181¾, Walcott, 195½. Referee, Dave Miller. For the NBA title.

August 10, 1949—Ezzard Charles stopped Gus Lesnevich, who was unable to come out for the eighth round, New York City. Charles, 180, Lesnevich, 182. Referee Ruby Goldstein. It is recorded as a seven-round knockout.

October 14, 1949—Ezzard Charles knocked out Pat Valentino, 8 rounds, San Francisco. Charles, 182, Valentino, 188½. Referee, Jack Downey. Clinched American heavyweight title.

August 15, 1950—Ezzard Charles defended N.B.A. title by knocking out Freddy Beshore in 14 rounds, Buffalo, N.Y. Referee, Barney Felix. Charles 183¼, Beshore 184½.

September 27, 1950—Ezzard Charles added New York State recognition to his N.B.A. claim by winning a 15 round decision from Joe Louis, Yankee Stadium, New York, N.Y. Referee, Mark Conn. Charles 184½, Louis 218.

December 5, 1950—Ezzard Charles knocked out Nick Barone, 11 rounds, Cincinnati. Charles, 185, Barone, 178½. Referee, Tommy Warndorf.

January 12, 1951—Ezzard Charles knocked out Lee Oma, 10 rounds, New York City. Charles, 185, Oma, 193. Referee, Ruby Goldstein.

March 7, 1951—Ezzard Charles defeated Jersey Joe Walcott on points, 15 rounds, Detroit. Charles, 186, Walcott 193. Referee, Clarence Rosen.

May 30, 1951—Ezzard Charles defeated Joey Maxim on points, 15 rounds, Chicago. Charles, 182, Maxim, 181½. Referee, Frank Gilmer.

July 18, 1951—Jersey Joe Walcott knocked out Ezzard Charles, 7 rounds to win the title, Pittsburgh. Walcott, 194, Charles, 182. Referee, Buck McTiernan.

June 5, 1952—Jersey Joe Walcott defeated Ezzard Charles on points, 15 rounds, Philadelphia. Walcott, 196, Charles, 191½. Referee, Zack Clayton.

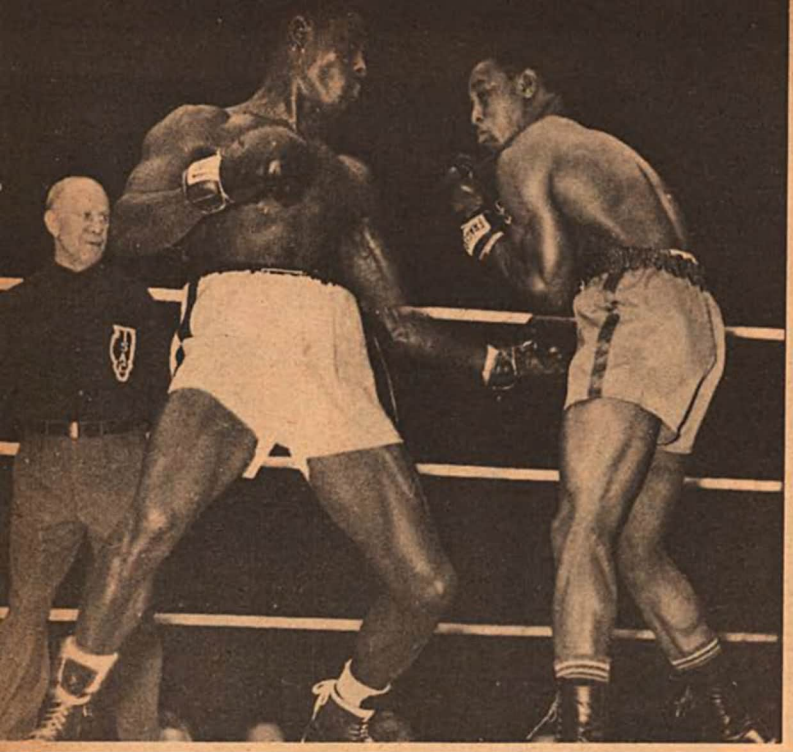
June 17, 1954—Rocky Marciano defeated Ezzard Charles on points, 15 rounds, New York. Marciano, 187½, Charles, 185½. Referee, Ruby Goldstein.

Sept. 17, 1954—Rocky Marciano knocked out Ezzard Charles, 8 rounds, New York, N.Y. Marciano, 187, Charles, 192½. Referee, Al Berl.

Charles had two managers during his pro career—Jake Mintz and Tom Tanis. Ezz owed much to Tanis, whose relations with the fighter were like those of family.

There were harder hitters than Ezz in the heavyweight class. But no more distinctly gentle characters.

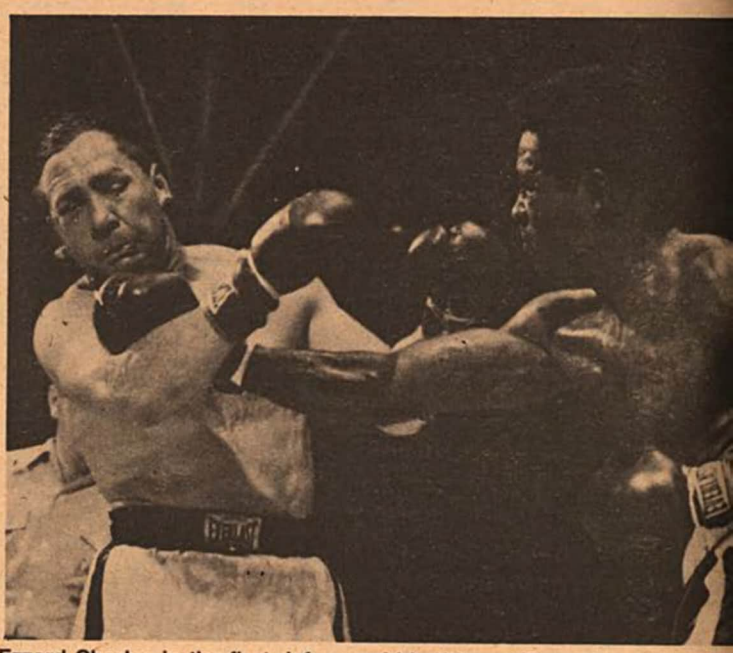
Ezzard Charles with his wife and son as he appeared after being stricken with the ill fated disease in February 1966.



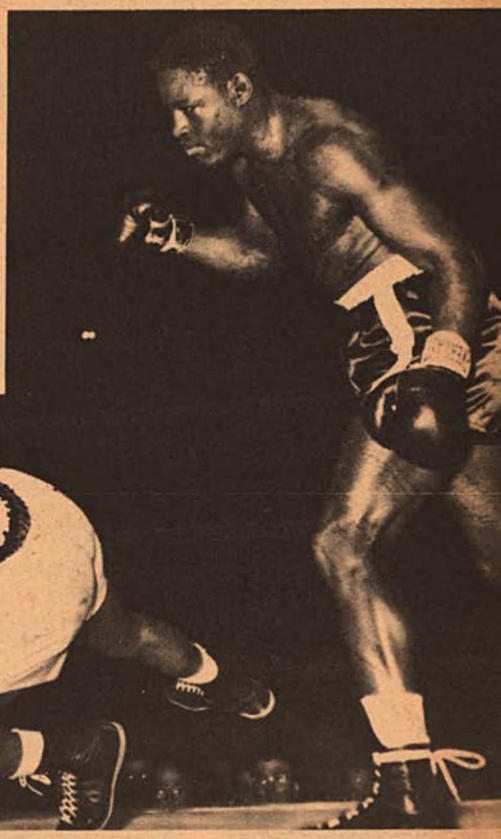
Ezzard Charles vs Sam Baroudi on February 21, 1948. Ezzard was the KO victor in 10. Baroudi died after the contest and Charles was never quite the same.

Ezzard Charles vs Archie Moore, January 13, 1948. Charles' devastating blows deck Moore. Winning in the 8th round made him the number one contender for the heavyweight championship.

Ezzard Charles vs Jersey Joe Walcott on June 22, 1949 for the heavyweight title. The fight took place in Comiskey Park, Chicago and Charles won the NBA title in fifteen rounds by a unanimous decision.

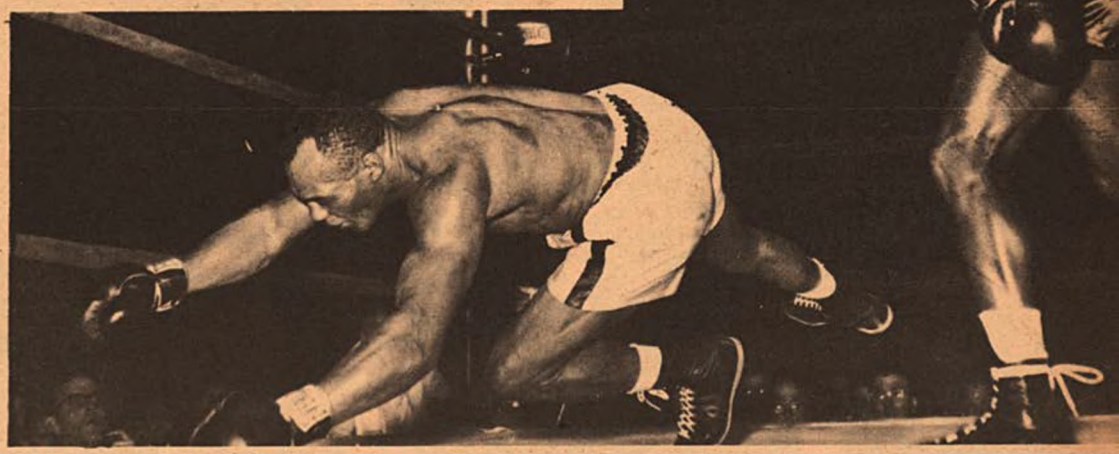


Ezzard Charles in the first defense of his title put Gus Lesnevich away in the seventh round with thundering lefts and rights. Lesnevich's corner announced he would not appear for the eighth round. Date: August 10, 1949.

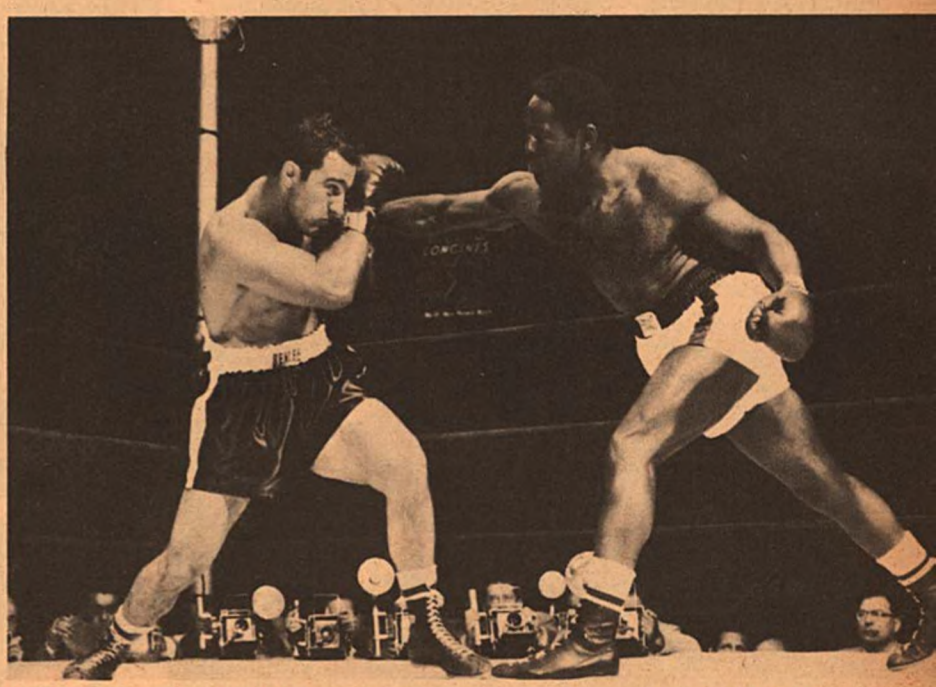


(Above) Ezzard Charles vs Joe Louis and the date was September 27, 1950. Charles won the NBA title and the New York title in fifteen rounds to become the undisputed heavyweight champ of the world.

(At Right) Ezzard Charles vs Jersey Joe Walcott held on March 8, 1951 in Detroit. Charles won a unanimous decision. Walcott was floored by a series of lefts and rights in the ninth round.



Ezzard Charles vs Joey Maxim held on May 30, 1951. Joey Maxim, light heavyweight champion, wincing as Charles successfully defended his title in Chicago Stadium—winning by a unanimous.



Ezzard Charles vs Rocky Marciano in Yankee Stadium on June 17, 1954. In his attempt to regain his crown, Charles drives a hard right to the face of the champion Rocky Marciano, who won a unanimous 15 round decision to successfully defend his title for the third time.

On the canvas, the then champion, Bob Foster, who rose and proceeded to down challenger De Paula three times, ultimately winning a KO in round 1.

Frank Howard (left), of the Washington Senators, compares fists with Foster, as he presents the Ring Magazine light heavyweight champion with his belt.

FOSTER RETURNS TO RING—

By DAN DANIEL

ON September 16, 1974, Bob Foster, the light heavyweight champion of the world, announced his retirement from boxing.

There were reports that he would run for sheriff in his home town of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Born on April 27, 1942, Foster was 32 years of age. Rumor had him at least 34.

Bob had had a long and brilliant career, and the general public accepted his announcement with a pat on the back and an examination of the light heavy field he was leaving behind him.

On June 17, 1974, Foster had been very fortunate in getting a draw after 15 rounds with Argentinian Jorge Ahumada.

The experts ridiculed the decision and said that Bob had been beaten.

Apparently Foster also felt that he had been defeated.

In any event, Foster said he would not fight again.

But those in the know predicted that he would be back in the ring within a year, or less.

Time has vindicated those who had predicted his return to the ring. He has come back, the June boxing calendar having shown a Foster-Hardney fight in Santa Fe on the 28th.

In making his reappearance, Foster had picked no light heavy of title calibre. Hardney was well known in boxing ranks—as a low grader. But Foster was entitled to go easy on himself after his long layoff.

Will comeback Bob Foster stay back? Why has he returned?

From the inside is a report that Bob saw in retirement, of a fashion, the only chance to get away from Lou Vescusi, his manager. He says he is going to be his own pilot henceforth.

He has returned to the ring because, as he puts it, the light heavyweights who have been fighting for his title do not deserve the distinction.

While Foster was away, the WBA developed a champion in Victor Galindez, the Argentine who defeated Ahumada.

The WBC brought out a champion of its own in John Conteh, of England. Efforts to match Galindez with Conteh have not been successful.

Foster has seen the Briton in action "alive" and Galindez on the screen. He has no high record for either man as a fighter.

Foster has returned as a challenger. He is the champion no longer.

For a champion to turn in his crown, and then to come back and regain it, is a feat seldom performed. In fact, only three fighters—Ray Robinson, Vicente Saldivar, and Ali have done it.

Ray performed the feat in two divisions, the welter and middleweight.

The Ali and Robinson feats stand out among the truly great performances of ring history.

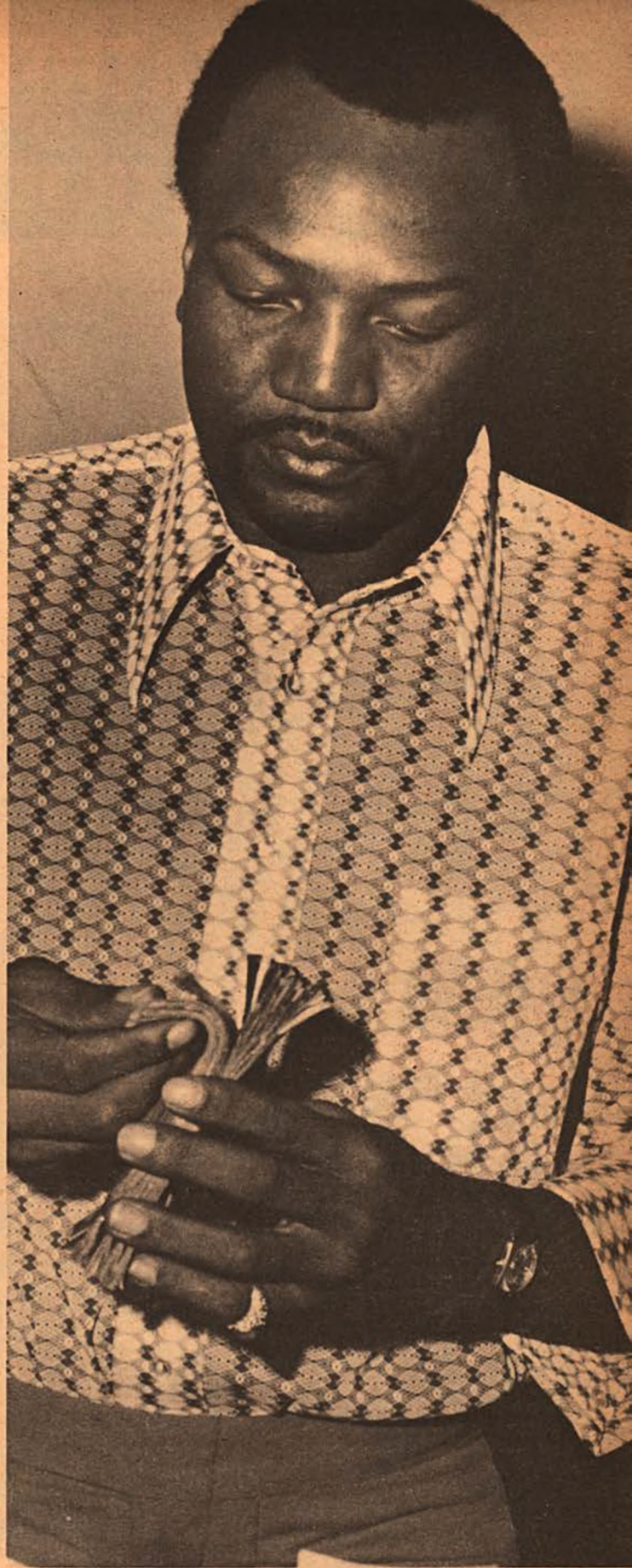
Sammy Angott turned in his title, came back after six months, and fought for eight years more without regaining the championship.

Gene Tunney retired as heavyweight champion but never came back.

Jim Jeffries retired in 1905, and made the mistake—not a financial one—of coming back in 1910, to fight champion Jack Johnson. Jeff managed to last ten rounds.

Benny Leonard retired as the lightweight champion and, as had been expected, came back as a welter. His revived effort was disastrous and ended in a KO by McLarnin.

Foster has been approached to fight his way back to the title he won from Dick Tiger. Bob finds himself in the Era of Don King.



Foster counts his "take" after a bout.

BRITISH FEATHER CHAMP AT 20, SOLLAS SEEKS MAJOR TITLES

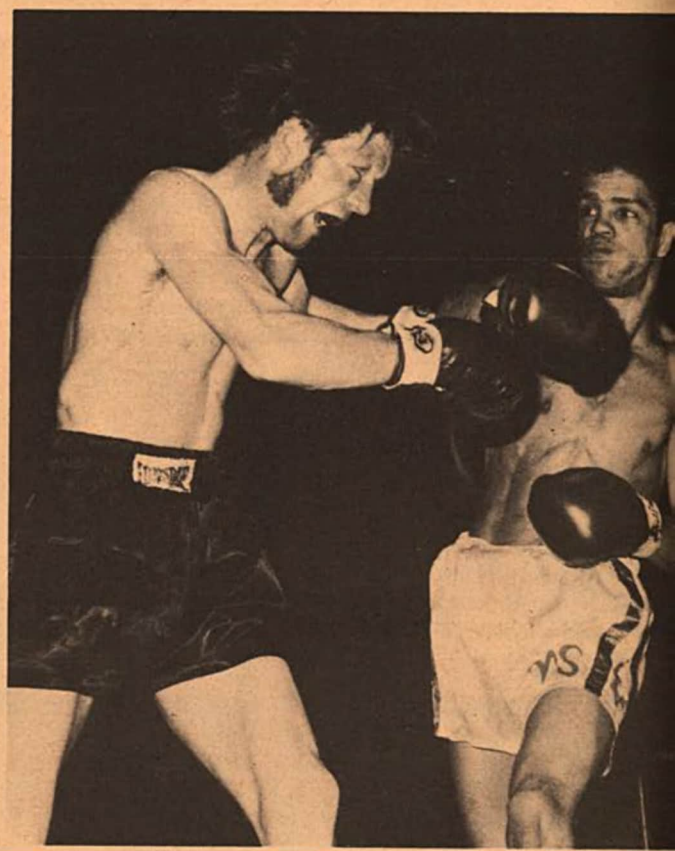
By RON OLVER

LONDON, ENGLAND—Back in the late forties and early fifties a young Jamaican named Vernon Sollas campaigned in British rings, meeting many of the top bantams and featherweights, including Eddie Carson, Peter Fay, Tommy Miller and Jackie Sutton.

Vernon averaged some dozen bouts per year, and acquitted himself ably in what, at that time, was a tough division full of talent.

He never reached the status of title contender, the Empire crown being his goal, but when he retired he made up his mind that if his son wanted to box he would give the lad every encouragement.

The boy was christened Vernon after his father, and took to boxing like a duck takes to water. Today, at the age of 20, Vernon Junior is the featherweight champion of Great Britain. And none is



Above: Vernon Sollas shakes British champion Evan Armstrong with damaging right early in their meeting. Armstrong took all Vernon could dish out, and then knocked him out in the eighth round. At left we see Vernon immediately after knocking out Martin Galleozzie in the seventh of their scheduled eight rounder.

more proud than Vernon Senior.

The family settled in Scotland, and Vernon Junior was born in Edinburgh on August 14, 1954. In point of fact, only one boxer has ever won this particular title at a younger age, and that was the late great, Ted Kid Lewis.

Sollas, like Lewis, is a "natural." My definition of this word is someone who does things automatically and knows exactly how to react in different circumstances. Someone whose punches and moves appear to come so naturally, that only experience and the right guidance are necessary to bring him to the top.

Such a youngster is Vernon. I remember one particular visit he paid to my office, when he confided to me some of his ambitions, and how it all started.

"I had the gloves on from the age of nine," he said. "I wouldn't say that Dad pushed me into it, but once he saw that I enjoyed boxing he gave me every encouragement and proved a tough tutor.

"He believed that I should do things the hard way if I wanted to succeed. I used to go into the local gym, and spar with boys much older than myself.

"At that tender age I used to take it to heart if I got hurt, and often went home crying. I didn't expect sympathy, and I didn't get much. 'What are you, a boy or a man?' Dad would snap. 'Get back in there and show 'em who's the boss!'

"Eventually this psychology began to work. I found I was able to deal with those who used to hurt me with their punches, and I was soon being treated with respect."

Vernon's amateur career consisted of some 40 bouts, of which he lost four. He won the British amateur junior title in 1970, and at 17 years of age entered the senior championships in 1972.

This was Olympic year, so a lot depended on his success. Having reached the final without too much difficulty, he had to meet another 17-year-old (who coincidentally was born in Jamaica) named Kirkland Laing.

Briefly, Vernon was adjudged to have lost on points, but there was dissention from ringsiders, many of whom thought he had well won it.

However, when the Olympic team was selected Vernon was included. This in spite of the fact that he had seen fit to miss two week-end official training sessions. It looked as if his dream had come true.

Then fate took a hand. Vernon incurred a fine in the courts, for a misdemeanour, and this led to his being withdrawn from the team by the selectors.

The reason was described as being "in the boxer's best interests, and in the best interests of British boxing." Some thought this unfair. Vernon himself was shattered.

Professional manager Bobby Neill, himself a former British featherweight champion, who also came from Edinburgh, had been watching Vernon's progress with great in-

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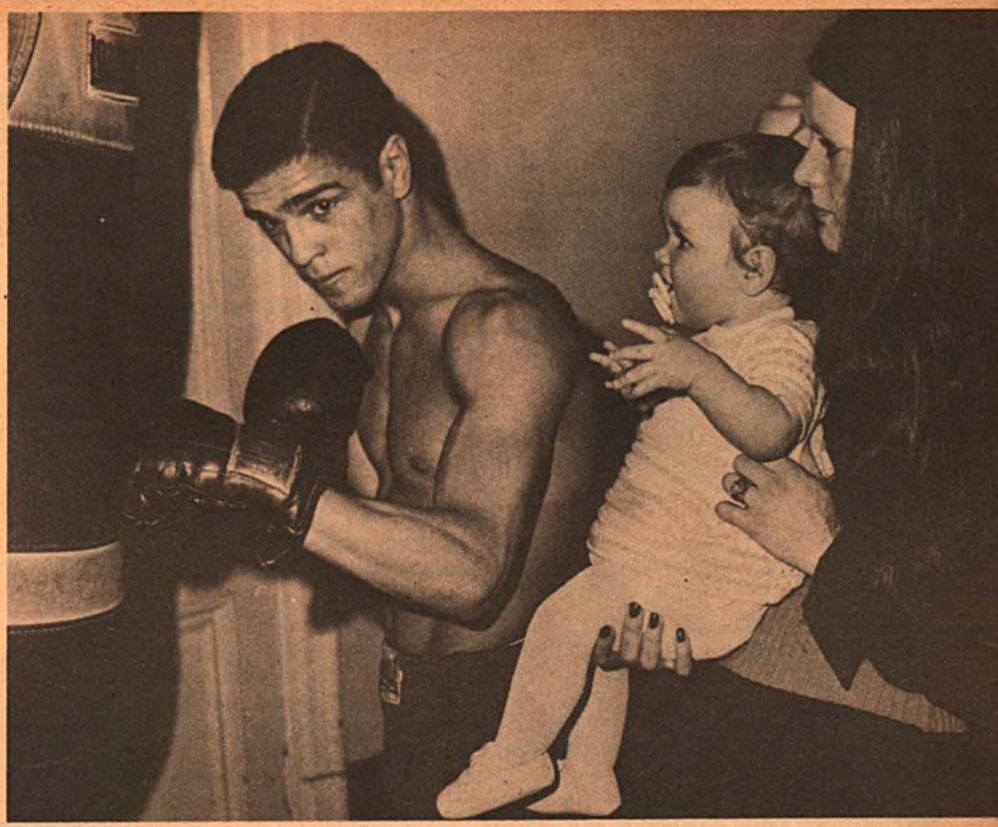
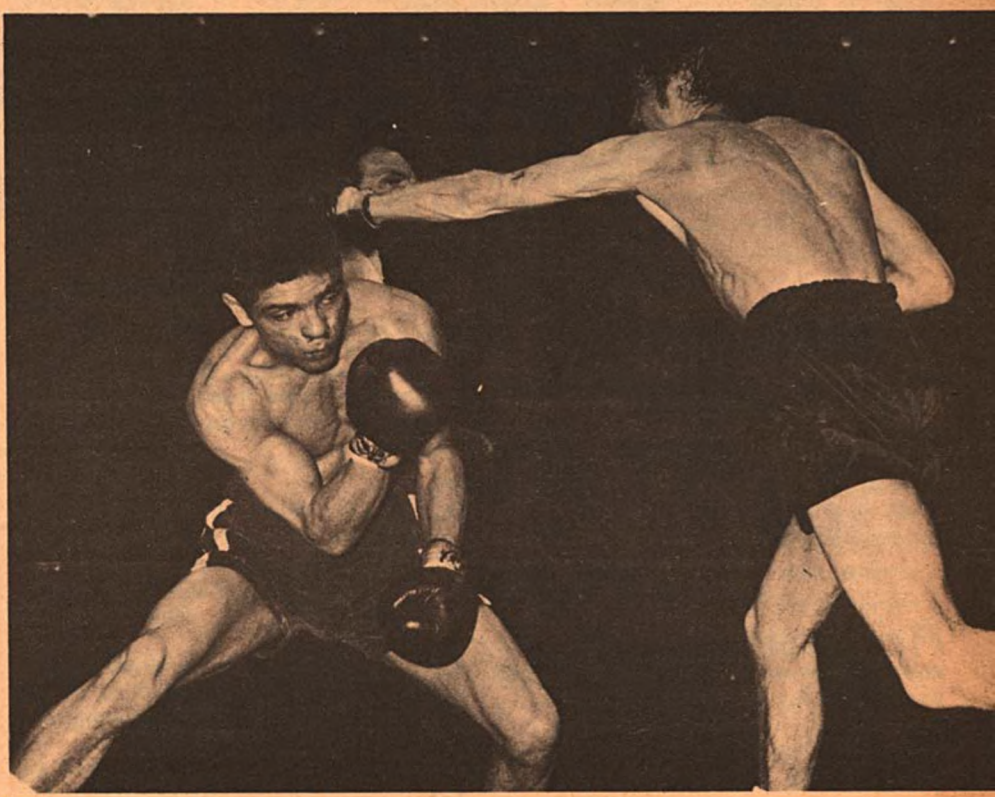
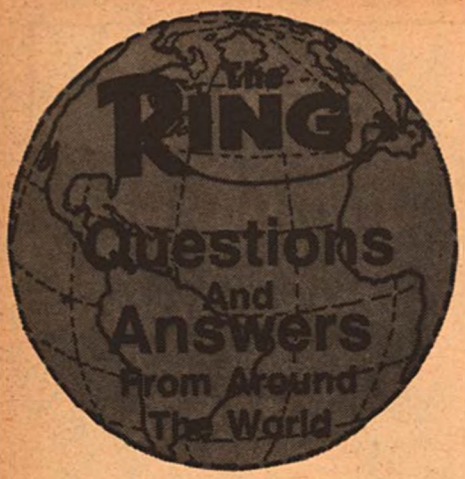


Vernon Sollas, of Scotland, training at the Thomas A. Beckett gym. Rooters watching him are his wife, Moira, and his daughter, Lisa.



In London, Sollas slips under a left thrown by Jimmie Revie and moves in to land blows to the body. Sollas won a ten round decision in this 1974 outing.



Q. Was Ezzard Charles the recognized heavyweight champion or merely the NBA title holder?

Frank Van Beckert
Boston, Mass.

A. Charles was NBA first and later gained recognition as the official champion.

Q. I have been reading about Harry Hill's place in New York post Civil War days. What was Hill's?

James T. Pelligrini
New York, N.Y.

A. Harry Hill's was a music hall on Houston Street in New York which put on fights. The story about Hill's place never has been written adequately.

Q. How many NBA and NBC versions of fight titles do we have at this time? Are we going to have these double titles forever?

Joseph John Sullivan
Portland, Me.

A. There are 24 different versions of titles and the way it looks now this sad situation will go on and on.

Q. Bob Foster reportedly has come back to the ring, as had been expected when he announced his retirement. Is he still the light heavy champion?

William Kieley
Albuquerque, New Mex.

A. Foster gave up the title and now comes back as a challenger and not as champion.

Q. Does The Ring recognize the junior flyweight class, newly created in Italy?

Arnilfo Romano
Milan, Italy

A. The Ring does not recognize the junior flies. A joke is a joke.

Q. Where was John L. Sullivan born, and when? Was he a really great fighter?

John J. Sullivan
Salem, Mass.

A. John Lawrence Sullivan was born in Roxbury, Mass. on October 15, 1858. Roxbury now is part of the city of Boston. Opinion on Sullivan's class is divided. The recent Ring poll failed to include Sullivan among the Top Ten of all time.

Q. Has a heavyweight fight of the glove era been lost by disqualification?

Gary Deegan
Los Angeles, Cal.

A. Yes. On June 12, 1930, Jack Sharkey lost to Max Schmeling in the fourth round in New York on a foul.

Q. Fact or fiction? That Anhie Dubdee lifted Ali out of his chair and into the ring in the fifth round of his first fight with Liston? Ali said that Liston's rubbing material had got into his eye, or was this just newspaper guff?

Howard D. Harlow
Houston, Texas

A. The story has been accepted quite generally as true.

Q. Is it ture that Ali is the only world champion without a WBA or WBC attached to his title?

Frederick Boehm
Los Angeles, Cal.

A. True.

Q. What is the record for knockdowns, by one man, in a heavyweight title fight since the days of Sullivan?

Dave Griffenhagen
Brooklyn, NYC

A. When Max Baer took the heavyweight title from Primo Carnera he decked him eleven times in eleven rounds.

Q. How many times was Jack Johnson knocked down by Jess Willard in their title fight in Havana?

Frederick Joseph Coakley
Chelsea, Mass.

A. There was no knockdown in that fight until Willard decked Jack in the twenty-sixth round, for heavyweight title.

Q. What is the official decision of The Ring on the knockdown of Ali by Wepner in Cleveland?

George Carey
Cleveland, Ohio

A. The Ring has to support the decision of referee Perez that it was a knockdown. That made it four visits to the canvas by Ali, against Sunny Banks, Henry Cooper, Joe Frazier and Chuck Wepner.

Q. When Jeffries returned to the ring after his five year layoff to fight Jack Johnson, was Jim still the heavyweight champion?

Fielding Cleary
Butte, Mont.

A. Jeffries had given up his title in 1905 and Johnson had the championship.

Q. Was Willie Ritchie ever the recognized lightweight champion of the world?

Hillary Gaines
London, England

A. Emphatically yes.

Q. My grandfather says that when Leonard took the lightweight title from Freddie Welsh he had agreed to carry Welsh, who did no training for the fight. The yarn says that Leonard could not resist the temptation and knocked Fred out.

Harry Cohen
New York, N.Y.

A. Some such yarn was afloat at the time but there was not, and is not, any fact to back it up. I doubt it. However, Welsh was in no condition to defend a world title.

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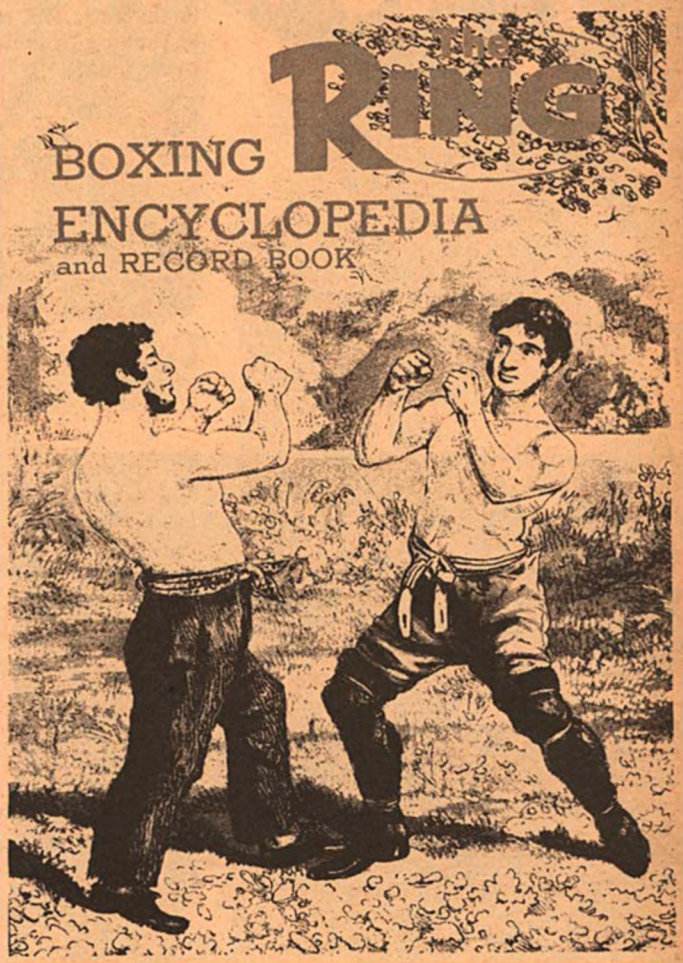

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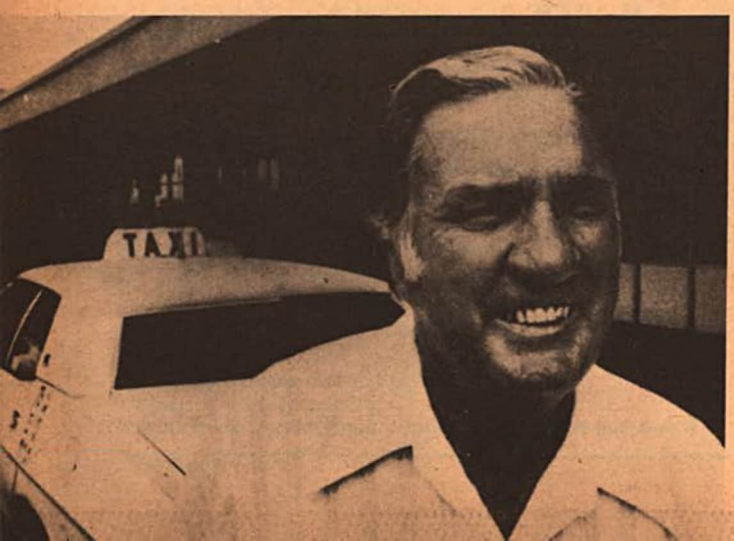
European champion Joe Bugner at Subang Airport outside Kuala Lumpur before Joe met Muhammad Ali for the world title.

(Above) Jack Dempsey, ex-heavyweight champion of the world, being wished well by a woman admirer.
(Right) George Foreman, another ex-heavyweight king, swarmed with admirers on recent visit to Canada. Promoter Don King can be seen over Foreman's shoulder.



Joey Maxim, ex light heavyweight champion, who was erroneously pronounced dead in London, seen very much alive and living in Lauderhill, Florida where he is a cab driver.

Willie Pep, ex world featherweight champion, currently living in Connecticut is seen at Multiple Sclerosis drive in New York City. He is flanked on right by ex Deputy Commissioner of the N.Y. State Athletic Commission, Joe Sciacca and on left by Civil Court Judge Jerome Ellis.

Here's one for you oldtimers. The cast of the movie, "The Prizefighter and The Lady." Rear, left to right, Primo Carnera, George Bancroft, Max Baer and Otto Krueger. Middle row, Marty Powell, Jack Dempsey and Bill Duffy. The man on lower left is Walter Houston.

(Above) Muhammad Ali with daughter Maryum at Ali's Deer Park Camp Training headquarters. Ali points to the rules for all who eat at the camp. (At right) Left to right, Ring Editor, Nat Loubet, Vito Tallarita and Bobby Gleason at Hartford, Connecticut dinner in honor of Connecticut's Man Of The Year. Vito received award along with Manny Leibert and Sal Giacobbe with Gleason receiving special award for services to boxing.

SUZUKI OF JAPAN

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counterpunched often, he chased the champ all-out. It was a question why at least one of the officials took the 24-year-old Mexican for a points winner. Tury's performance won the praise of ringsiders who paid $100 for a seat. The reporter tabbed quite a hairline score, 145-144, for the Japanese.

In the opening round they studied each other cautiously. Ishimatsu showed stinging lefts which caught the shorter guy. Tury's strategy was just the same as he had revealed last year. He bored in with busy mobility and threw straight punches.

The Mexican took the third session with scrappy action.

Ishimatsu, 26, made use of footwork, shooting counterpunches suddenly. It was his style in earlier rounds as he had shown in an upset decision over Ken Buchanan last February.

The taller champ turned loose to dominate the fifth and sixth rounds. His one-twos hit Pineda.

In round seven Pineda was in command with a non-stop rally. But Guts took back the next canto, nailing the hombre at the ropes with a powerful barrage. If one punch caught the Mexican, he threw back two punches whether they might shoot the opponent or not.

Pineda's incessant action had Guts retreating to win the tenth round. As Guts told after the contest, it was too hot in the Gymnasium to fight relentlessly into exhaustion. Unexpected rowdy fans as well as TV lights raised the temperature in the square, near eighty degrees Fahrenheit. Pineda had moved and punched vigorously, while Guts economized stamina to prepare for later rounds.

It was doubtful if Ishi's strategy would be successful. Pineda's mobility and punching did not fade so obviously as the Japanese had expected, while Ishimatsu had to fight harder after the eleventh round on than he had expected.

It became a total war. They began exchanging punches toe-to-toe to win one round more. The lightweights had a roundhouse rally evenly in the 11th and 12th sessions.

The Nipponese grew more aggressive to show his superiority on points. He sent stronger blows to Pineda's face to take the 13th round by a close margin. Pineda's durability was such that he refused to back away for all Guts' solid attack. An exhaustion was more apparent in the face of Ishimatsu. However his gameness made the Nipponese throw desperate blows. With a slight margin, the 14th round was also taken by the WBC titlist. In the final session, though his speed and power faded after positive actions, Pineda was still a willing mixer. Ishi scored with combinations to stop the Mexican. They missed plenty, clinched often to find their rivals groggy. They fought well. However Ishimatsu's performance was a disappointment. After a split draw with Pineda in September last, the tricky Japanese knocked out Mexico's Rodolfo Gonzales, ex-titlist, in 12 rounds and scored an upset unanimous decision over Ken Buchanan in 15 rounds.

Fight fans saw that Ishi would get revenge against the shorter Mexican by a kayo. But it was Roberto Duran, not Pineda, that Ishimatsu wanted to face again. In 1973 he was stopped by the Panamanian puncher in 10 rounds in his crack at the lightweight title.

Ishi and Pineda entered the ring at 135 pounds, the limit of the class. The WBC leader said, 'I thought I'd won. It was too hot tonight. Pineda was tough enough to refuse retreating. So I ran about to have Pineda throw missed blows. In the last five rounds I tried to finish the guy. But he endured gamely."

"Tury Pineda, good loser, said with an exhaustive face, He (Ishimatsu) kept running. I think I won the 15-rounder, for I dominated it. I scored plenty of blows to weaken him. I cannot accept the verdict."

The close decision means Ishi's 30th win against 11 defeats and 6 draws. Pineda suffered the fifth loss against 25 wins with one draw.

In a scheduled 12-rounder Dong-Kyun Yum made a fine debut in Japan. The Korean Orient junior featherweight titlist with a good record 45-1 (18 knockouts) showed an Ali style to outpunch Japan's Seiichi Watanuki, 120½, at will.

An impressive kayo came in 15 seconds of the tenth round, when Yum flattened Watanuki with one solid right. The loser went to dreamland to be carried away on a stretcher. Before the trick, Yum, 122, dropped the Japanese veteran in the fourth and ninth rounds. His speed in hands and feet proved too much for the vaunted iron jaw. Yum registered the fourth defense since he dethroned country fellow Kyu-Chul Chang in 1974.

In a first title game of the night, Shoji Tsujimoto, 147, had little difficulty in polishing off Koichi Munakata, 146, in the fifth round. Lefty Shoji decked the inexperienced guy with a sharp right for a compulsory eight count. Thereafter it was quite onesided. Shoji battered his foe from all angles. A smashing one-two was a haymaker. The lanky welterweight kept the national title for the sixth time.

DURAN WINS IN 62Sc.

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good hook and dropped him again.

The Panamanian champ with Freddy Brown and Nestor Quiones in his corner was throwing money punches and looked anxious to add to his lengthy record of one-round knockouts.

Peterson arose once more to beat the count as Duran gave him little breathing room. With another flurry of punches the loose-muscled champ put his opponent on the deck for the third time.

Peterson was in disbelief and so was the crowd who came out for the fist boxing show in the history of the new Convention Hall. Angelo Dundee, who handled Peterson, did his best to illustrate where his fighter went wrong but Peterson was unable to accept his fortune with ease. Duran was cocky going into the ring and departed the same way, seemingly pleased with the addition of another first round KO to his record scattered among 54 battles.

Most of the crowd agreed Duran looked ready for his expected September title defense against Ken Buchanan, the former champion from whom Duran lifted the title back in 1972 at Madison Square Garden.

In an entertaining undercard, Juan Hidalgo, 136, Santo Domingo, D.R. continued his winning ways with a fourth round technical knockout over Miguel Irrizarri, 134, San Juan, P.R. in a repeat match scheduled for 8 rounds. Hidalgo won more convincingly than in their previous setto as he notched number seven on his victory skein.

In another bout scheduled for 8 rounds, Orestes Davies, 206¼, Fort Lauderdale, made short work of his winning job over Bowie Adams, 246¾, Orlando, Florida, as he dropped his giant opponent from Central Florida a couple of times in round one which ended the uneventful match. Davies came out swinging and showed his punching ability as Adams never had the chance to show his talents.

In a scheduled six, Tommy Torino, 162, Hollywood, Florida, in the throes of a serious comeback, met a tarter in Herman Garcia, 170, San Antonio, Texas, who stopped him in the fifth round.

The larger Garcia took everything Torino threw at him and pressed forward constantly driving punches to the head and body in tireless fashion. Midway in the fight, it became obvious he was too much for the popular Torino who drew a large following from Broward County.

In a real surpriser, Jose "Speedy" Gonzales, 131¼, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in his first professional bout, upset the competent Cuban Kid (Eladio Leal) 128½, Miami, by taking a decision over the "Kid" in 6 rounds of an action packed thriller. Gonzales was 25-1-0 as an amateur.

In a four rounder featured by a disparity in weight and size, James Edwards, 200, Miami, scored a second round TKO over Chubby Steel, 306, Miami. The ponderous Steel showed a lot of agility but should return to the gym to improve his endurance.

As is usual, whenever Angelo Dundee departs Miami for foreign shores there is a void in boxing locally. Boxing shows suddenly become less frequent and gyms empty out. Angelo is a catalyst to boxing activity as his presence inspires youngsters and the veterans alike. Angelo is currently away from home as he trains Muhammad Ali in

Maylasia for the Joe Bugner title defense.

Woody Clark, tough amateur heavyweight who performs regularly on Dick Lee's amateur shows at Dinner Key in Coconut Grove outlasted any of the others of Miami's representatives at the National AAU championships at Shreveport, La. He scored two knockouts to reach the semi-finals where he dropped a three round decision to James Clark of Philadelphia. The City of Miami had pinned their hopes on Clark to become a member of the U.S. team participating in the North American Championships at the Miami Marine Stadium on July 24 through the 26th. Woody Clark will continue to star at the weekly City of Miami amateur boxing shows.

Former WBA recognized world heavyweight champion is back in action, this time in a Florida ring. At Orlando, Jimmy Ellis disposed of former Jamaica champ, Carl Baker in the first round using a right cross to effect the knockout. . .Popular Miami lightheavyweight, Vernon McIntosh, dropped a 10 round decision to contender Mike Quarry at Orlando. . .Middleweight Johnnie Evans scored a decision over Nathaniel Knowles in three rounds, Keith Bergmooser outscored Lester Crosby in a three round heavyweight match and Gil Palmer in a middleweight bout stopped Jiles Gaker, all recent feature bouts at the Elizabeth Virrick City of Miami Gym. . .Pleasing stylight lightheavyweight, Tony Greene, is chomping at the bit for action following an auto accident which stalled his ring progress. . .It was good to see New York trainer, Freddie Brown again as he tended to lightweight champ Roberto Duran at a recent showing here. . .Former world lightweight champion, Beau Jack, has a couple of heavyweights he is giving expertise to. . .Nassau's Sammy Barr made a hit in Minneapolis as he stopped the local Mike Morgan while Miamian Ernie Burns bowed out to Glen Morgan in three of a return match. . .A commendable action by the Gold Coast Boxer's Association, Ring No. 7 worthy of mention is a $200.00 donation they made to the cause of amateur boxing.

The money was appropriated for the purchase of topical wear such as tee-shirts and bathrobes which the kids generally cannot afford in addition to all the other paraphanelia needed. Congratulations to Ring No. 7 for their altruism.

KOREA'S JAE-DO YUH

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January. Yuh was regarded as a dangerous opponent. He had compiled a good record as Orient middleweight ruler. The Korean puncher was unbeaten against Japanese ring men, scoring 22 wins and one draw. He defended Orient crown fourteen times. Yuh, 29, has a winning streak of 31. But Wajima, 32, was a prohibitive favorite due to his longer experience against name opponents.

They started fast from an opening session. Yuh, taller by two inches, tried to catch Wajima with jabs. Wajima chased the Korean hoping to have him mix it up. The Nipponese took the second and third rounds. His jolting left was effective enough to almost topple Yuh. Wajima appeared to be in a fine shape. His punching was sharp, and his mobility was vigorous as it was when he whipped Alvarado, U.S. puncher, in the previous fight.

Yuh showed an orthodox style of fighting against the tricky Japanese. The Korean, black belt of Kung-Fu, exchanged a rally toe-to-toe to have Wajima bleeding from the left ear in round three.

At the end of the 5th, the gong sounded, but one more punch was thrown to the face of Wajima, whose gloves hung down. Down he went! Referee Yoshida called neither a point deduction nor a disqualification. Hitoshi Misako, Wajima's manager and ex-Orient flyweight boss, made a strong protest to the third man. Sure Wajima was wobbly still after that punch. He only had a one-minute rest.

Wajima's gameness made him endure Yuh's speedy shots. Yuh showed a fine combination to hit the Japanese sharply. A knockout came in two min. four seconds of the seventh round. The Korean puncher counterpunched Wajima with a solid right, another short left floored the Nipponese with a thud. Wajima managed to regain his feet. Yuh's two-fisted attack sent him on the deck again. It should have been the time for the proceedings to be stopped. Yuh's assault battered the groggy Wajima lopsidedly. The defending champion hit the deck for the last time. The referee declared a stoppage and awarded Jae-Do Yuh a kayo win.

Wajima suffered the fourth loss against 30 wins (24 KOs) and one draw. A sensational win upped Yuh's record to 38-1-1 with 22 knockouts. Yuh received a warm praise by lots of Korean fans living in Japan. Yuh had been a perennial rival to Wajima since years ago. In 1971 Jae-Do beat Japan's Cassius Naito in 6 rounds to wrest the Orient middleweight title. Before Wajima was stopped by Alvarado in the 15th canto last year, the Japanese had registered six defenses. Every time in Wajima's title competitions Yuh sent a message showing his strong will to challenge the Nipponese ringster. Yuh sank eleven Japanese in 14 successive title defenses. Yuh appeared in Japan for the first time. Regarded as a sturdy middleweight, Yuh had been neglected among name oppositions for Wajima, 154-pounder. Before he copped the Orient title, he had been stopped once by Byong-Mo Yim, countryman and ex-Orient welter ruler, in 1969.

TO OUR READERS

The Ring Magazine is going to run a reader poll on the forthcoming Ali-Frazier fight.

Who do you think will win it? Send in your pick in not more than 25 words to Poll Editor, Ring Magazine, 120 West 31st Street, N.Y.C., 10001.

BOUDREAUX DECISIINS TONY DOYLE IN TEN

By HARLAN HAAS

Dallas, Texas — Johnny Boudreaux, Houston's heavyweight, continued along the unbeaten trail by winning a unanimous 10-round decision over veteran Tony Doyle in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium. Boudreaux started off cautiously, then, began to pick up the pace in the fourth. By the seventh round he was under a full head of steam, and his paint brush left was working overtime. He was nailing Doyle with an assortment of punches, and a short right uppercut inside was particularly effective. Boudreaux weighed 204, Doyle 214.

Robert Turner, 140, Wichita Falls, used a long left jab to gain points in a six round win over Salvador "Perro" Gonzalez, 140, Monterrey, Mexico. Fred Wallace, 175, Dallas (brother of heavyweight Cookie Wallace) needed but one round to put the skids under Jess Knight, 175, Oklahoma City. Harvey Arnold, 142, Dallas, scored a two round knockout over Paul Knight, 140, Oklahoma City. In another bout young Sean O'Brady, 120, Oklahoma City, belted Earl Booth, 127, Oklahoma City, to sleep in the first round to remain undefeated.

ODDS & ENDS: The writer's hat is off this month to Robert Bish who has done a remarkable job of guiding Johnny Boudreaux. We recall Bish coming to the gym daily some 10 years ago and showing off his hotshot of a young kid by the name of Johnny Boudreaux — what a great young kid he was — he already looked like a polished pro and he must've been all of 12 or 13 at the time. Bish struck up a friendship with the Boudreaux family and they've all been close. The Sears & Roebuck heavy appliance salesman piloted Boudreaux through an outstanding amateur career, and the latest victory over Tony Doyle upped his pro record to 17-0-1.

NICK ORTIZ & BENITEZ BROTHERS WIN

By MARIO RIVERA

Roberto Clemente Stadium, San Juan, P.R. — Nick Ortiz received a surprise knockdown at the hands of Mexican Manny Torres, but got up to score a kayo. Nick started the bout by outboxing the Mexican in the first two rounds. A brief exchange in the closing seconds of the third dropped the off-balance Ortiz, who promptly got up to score a knockdown with the bell coming to Torres' rescue. Not one to be denied, Torres came out like a house-a-fire in the next round only to be clipped by a hard right cross that flattened him for the full count.

In another ten, junior welter Laudiel "Boritruck" Negron scored a four round kayo over Justice Ortiz after suffering some unpleasant moments early in the bout. Ortiz was out for a few minutes after the bout from the right cross that put him to sleep.

A third ten saw feather Benjamin Ortiz use all the tricks of the trade to score a close one over Hector "Chinito" Diaz.

A fourth ten saw rapidly rising lightweight Hector Luis Medina score a ninth round TKO victory over Mexican Raul Martinez. . .Like all battlers from south of the border that have shown their wares here, Martinez was game to the core. The end came because of a cut eye.

▲**Ramon Loubriel Stadium, Bayamon, P.R.** — In a bout billed as for the bantamweight title of the U.S.A. Francisco Villegas scored a twelve round unanimous decision over David Vazquez. Villegas was too fast and well conditioned for his New York rival in a so-so fight.

In another ten welter Wilfredo Benitez sent veteran Angel Robinson Garcia into retirement by scoring a one sided ten round verdict over the Cuban veteran.

Frankie Benitez, lightweight, looked very good in scoring a ten round nod over Javier Ayala. Ayala was aggressive but Wilfredo was too much for him.

National AAU Finals at Shreveport, La.:

106—Claudell Atkins, St. Louis, d. John Carter, Philadelphia.

112—Richard Rozelle, Columbus, Ohio, d. Jesse Davison, St. Louis.

119—Eilchi Juamwan, Hawaii, d. Bernard Taylor, Charlotte, N. C.

125—Dave Armstrong, Tacoma, Wash., d. Ronnie Shields, Beaumont, Tex.

132—Hilmer Kenly, Columbua, Ohio, d. Juan Ruiz, USAF.

139—Ray Leonard, Palmer Park, Md., d. Milton Seward, Columbus, Ohio.

147—Clinton Jackson, Evergreen, Ala., d. Fred Washington, Chicago.

156—Charles Walker, Mesa, Ariz., stopped Keith Broome, Navy. In the first round.

165—Tom Brooks, USAF, d. Michael Spinks, St. Louis.

173—Leon Spinks, Marines, d. Thomas Johnson, Army.

HW—Michael Dokes, Cleveland, Ohio, d. James Clark, Philadelphia.

UNITED STATES RING RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*George Foreman, Hayward, Calif.
1—Joe Frazier, Philadelphia, Pa.
2—Ken Norton, San Diego, Calif.
3—Jimmy Young, Philadelphia, Pa.
4—Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio
5—Ron Lyle, Denver, Colo.
6—Chuck Wepner, Bayonne, N.J.
7—Duane Bobick, Bowlus, Minn.
8—Howard Smith, Los Angeles, Calif.
9—Pat Duncan, Portland, Ore.
10—Randy Neumann, Cliffside Park, N.J.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Len Hutchins, Detroit, Mich.
1—Alvaro Lopez, Stockton, Calif.
2—Richie Kates, Philadelphia, Pa.
3—Tom Bethea, New York, N.Y.
4—Bobby Cassidy, Brentwood, N.Y.
5—Bob Foster, Albuquerque, N.M.
6—Willie Taylor, New York, N.Y.
7—Mike Quarry, Orlando, Fla.
8—Ray Elson, New York, N.Y.
9—Chris Elliott, Paterson, N.J.
10—John Baldwin, Houston, Texas

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Tony Licata, New Orleans, La.
1—Vito Antuofermo, Brooklyn, N.Y.
2—George Cooper, Oakland, Calif.
3—Rudy Robles, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Willie Monroe, Philadelphia, Pa.
5—Eddie Gregory, New York, N.Y.
6—Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
7—Bobby Watts, Philadelphia, Pa.
8—Emile Griffith, New York, N.Y.
9—Mike Nixon, Los Angeles, Calif.
10—Rico Hoye, Detroit, Mich.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Mike Baker, Spartanburg, S.C.
1—Leo Saenz, Baltimore, Md.
2—Oscar Alvarado, Uvalde, Texas
3—James Marshall, San Francisco, Calif.
4—Tony Gardner, Oklahoma City, Okla.
5—Ray Seales, Tacoma, Wash.
6—Marvin Hagler, Brockton, Mass.
7—Pete Ranzany, Sacramento, Calif.
8—Jackie Smith, Brockton, Mass.
9—Keith Averett, Akron, Ohio
10—Rafael Rodriguez, Minneapolis, Minn.

WELTERWEIGHTS
*Armando Muniz, Los Angeles, Calif.
1—Angel Espada, Puerto Rico
2—Johnny Gant, Washington, D.C.
3—Nick Ortiz, Puerto Rico
4—Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit, Mich.
5—Sandy Torres, Puerto Rico
6—Carlos Palomino, Los Angeles, Calif.
7—Wilfredo Benitez, Puerto Rico
8—Alfonso Haymon, Philadelphia, Pa.
9—Lou Bizzarro, Erie, Pa.
10—Andy Price, Los Angeles, Calif.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
*Tony Petronelli, Brockton, Mass.
1—Monroe Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif.
2—Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico
3—Hector Matta, Puerto Rico
4—Laudial Negron, Puerto Rico
5—Miguel Barreto, Puerto Rico
6—Benny Huertas, Puerto Rico
7—Adolph Viruet, Puerto Rico
8—Nani Marrero, Miami, Fla.
9—George Anderson, St. Paul, Minn.
10—Rudy Hernandez, San Diego, Calif.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Ray Lampkin, Portland, Ore.
1—Angel Mayoral, Las Vegas, Nev.
2—Hector Medina, Puerto Rico
3—Frankie Benitez, Puerto Rico
4—Randy Shields, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Tim Walker, Washington, D.C.
6—Mike Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
7—Maurice Watkins, Houston, Texas
8—Javier Ayala, Los Angeles, Calif.
9—Johnny Copeland, Springfield, Mo.
10—Edwin Viruet, Puerto Rico

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Tyrone Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
1—Ray Lunny III, San Carlos, Calif.
2—Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico
3—Alfredo Escalera, Puerto Rico
4—Ronnie McGarvey, Hillcrest Hgts., Md.
5—Ben Ortiz, Puerto Rico
6—Dom Monaco, Brooklyn, N.Y.
7—Walter Seeley, Sayville, N.Y.
8—Sammy Goss, Trenton, N.J.
9—Hilbert Stevenson, Winston-Salem, N.C.
10—Ruby Ortiz, New York, N.Y.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*Bobby Chacon, Los Angeles, Calif.
1—Danny Lopez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2—James Busceme, Beaumont, Texas
3—Santos Luis Rivera, Puerto Rico
4—Diego Martinez, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Kenny Weldron, Houston, Texas
6—Manuel Lujan, Los Angeles, Calif.
7—Sergio Ayala, Los Angeles, Calif.
8—Alfonso Evans, Philadelphia, Pa.
9—Lorenzo Trujillo, Houston, Texas
10—Jimmy Lopez, Salem, N.H.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*Francisco Villegas, Puerto Rico
1—Andres Hernandez, Puerto Rico
2—Joe Guevara, Sacramento, Calif.
3—Frank Duarte, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Sean O'Grady, Oklahoma City, Okla.
5—Benny Rodriguez, Los Angeles, Calif.
6—David Vasquez, New York, N.Y.
7—James Martinez, Houston, Texas
8—Bobby Lee Hunter, Denver, Colo.
9—Baby Kid Chocolate, Philadelphia, Pa.
10—Willie Chatman, Detroit, Mich.

FLYWEIGHTS
*Tony Moreno, San Antonio, Texas
1—Raul Rosette, Los Angeles, Calif.
2—Alberto Davila, Los Angeles, Calif.
3—Alfonso Vasquez, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Salvatore Vasquez, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Bobby Holderfield, Little Rock, Ark.
6—Melvin Johnson, Clovis, N.M.
7—Victor Rocha, San Antonio, Texas
8—Rocky Garcia, San Antonio, Texas
9—Erasmo Flores, Houston, Texas
10—Paul Kallai, Philadelphia, Pa.

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GOOD OR BAD?

This man King is ruining the game. He is careless with the money of other people. He gives millions to the fighters and they are not his millions. He is spoiling the mittmen terribly. The triple header in the Garden is great stuff for King but it is the money of other people. They say he will keep throwing away the dough until it is all gone and his feeders have run out of it. However, the money is not my business. The price for tickets for shows he promotes gets me sore. From $75 to $120 in the Garden in New York. A big favor to the fans.

Harry Federovich
Jersey City, N.J.

INFIGHTING IS RETURNING

I go to fights often and am delighted to report that infighting, body punching, are on the return. For a long time fighters were headhunters. Now, for the obvious fact that hurting your foe in the body is a better shot than trying to cut his head or face, we have a return to body punching. This trend will result in better boxing and closer fights. This from a veteran who sees most of the big fights in this area.

Hererra Gonzalez
Long Beach, Cal.

HE DISLIKES POLLS

Boy, oh boy. What a mess you have given us in the all-time polls. You want to tell me that Joe Louis was the greatest heavyweight of all time and then insist that he was better than Jeffries. Bologne. Take Joe apart scientifically and you will find that the fighter who almost lost the title to Billy Conn and actually did lose to Jersey Joe Walgott was not the equal of Joe Jeannette let along Jack Johnson and Jeff.

Frenchy Bogaine
Baton Rouge, La.

SEES FOREMAN CHAMPION

I see Foreman the world champion in the next two years. I see him changing his training methods and I predict that he will regain the confidence he lost at Zaire. He will prove to be the best of the heavies once Ali gets out of the competition. Muhammad cannot last forever. Foreman has the strength and I believe he will show the determination. I would like to see Foreman in the hands of a wise and capable manager. The guy who oversold him did him a terrible harm.

Giy Freylinghuysen
San Francisco, Cal.

THE FOREMAN CIRCUS

I live in Buffalo and it is not far to Toronto. I went there for the Foreman Circus and it was much too far. It was a disgrace. The more I think of it the more am I amazed that the Ring did not holler loud against it. It was a badly managed show and Foreman ran through the five like a tyro. It will take George a long time to get over the effects of the injuries he suffered in the public mind.

John T. Hale
Buffalo, N.Y.

SAYS THE POLL IS GOOD

I have caught up with the poll of the greatest tens in each class. The job is a good one. But, of course, not perfect. Your group picked Ali ninth of all time. It surrendered to black clamor. He is no more ninth than Louis is first. Joe had weaknesses. Glaring ones. Some bums made great showings against him the first time out. Conn, a so-so light heavy, had him beaten. But, on the whole, a good job.

Leander Flazier
San Francisco, Cal.

ALI NEAR END OF LINE

Muhammad Ali has mearly reached the end of whitey tolerance of his Holy War tirades and Muslim screams. His arrogance is intolerable. He has reached the end of the line of attack against the white suckers who make it possible to pay him those exorbitant guarantees. He is entertaining, to an extent. The idea of Harvard students paying to hear him is hard to believe.

Coutant Guescelin
Tarrytown, N.Y.

BOXING OWES LIFE TO ALI

Boxing owes its life to Muhammad Ali. He arrived just in time. A couple of years more of Liston and it would have been curtains for the grand old game. He is a better boxer than he gets credit for being and he is a wise strategist. Give the man his due.

Gordon Coakley
Atlanta, Ga.

OVER-PUBLICIZING THE CHAMP

Among publicity experts there is a maxim that there is such a thing as over-publicizing a standout figure.

I bring this to the fore, because I believe that Ali is over-publicizing himself, and his publicity people are overdoing their job. I also believe that The Ring is over-publicizing him. He has been spoiled, and it is no wonder that he shoots his mouth off. He hollers about a Holy War. He tells us that he is "The Greatest."

I am an admirer of the fighter called Muhammad Ali. But I think that there should be a limit to the adulation.

Ali did wonders for the game and he is a great fighter. We have had greater fighters, and they did not get a tenth of the publicity that has been heaped on Ali.

Please put on the brakes.

George Lothar
San Francisco, Calif.

WHO IS ALI'S TRAINER?

As Muhammad Ali was leaving the ring after having knocked out George Foreman he announced to the world, "I am my own trainer." This was the expert comment that Angelo Dundee had advised Ali to resort to the rope trick, which won the title back for him. Insofar as the boxing world is concerned, Dundee is the official trainer of the champion.

It seems to me that Angelo is the trainer and the fighter should give him the credit.

If Ali is his own trainer he should say so and place in his proper place.

Gus Scheftel
Boston, Mass.

RONDON A.W.O.L.

Let this be a lesson to fighters getting a lot of publicity. Vicente Rondon, former W.B.A. light heavy champion, has disappeared. He ran away from an institute at which he was getting psychiatric treatment. He was treated for alcoholism, rather than send him to jail the judge sent him to a clinic after being arrested in a holdup.

He escaped from this institution and cannot be found. Let this be a lesson to fighters who bask in unmerited glory.

Victor Ramirez
Caracas, Venezuela

BRITISH FEATHER CHAMP AT 20, SOLLAS SEEKS MAJOR TITLES

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terest, and it came as no surprise when they teamed up. His potential was enormous, and Bobby brought him down to London to live.

Vernon was already married, but the break with home ties had to be made if he was to succeed. He had started work in Scotland as an apprentice mechanic, then a shopfitter, but wasn't too happy, especially with the former job; as he put it "Breathing carbon monoxide fumes wasn't exactly my idea of keeping healthy."

So he became an apprentice joiner, which was the job he was doing when he came to London. But he never really wanted to do anything else except box.

He made his pro debut on February 20, 1973, winning his first five fights, and all inside schedule. His wife, Moira, was expecting their first child the following June, and I well remember chatting with Vernon at the weigh-in for his bout with Mickey Piner.

"Great news, Ron," he said. "The baby was born yesterday, and we are going to christen it Lisa. Now all I want to do is win my fight quickly and get back to Edinburgh to see my wife and daughter."

Vernon stopped Piner in six.

But his career hasn't been all roses. In July 1973 his original opponent withdrew, and the only available substitute was George McGurk, who was a lightweight.

It was decided to take a chance, but it didn't work out. Vernon was boxing well when he got a bit careless, McGurk seized his opening, piled on the pressure, and the bout was stopped in the sixth.

Vern took his first defeat philosophically. "That'll do me a lot of good," he said. "And it won't happen again."

I just knew this lad was going to be a champion, and in the September issue of THE RING, talking about the Piner fight, I wrote—

"The best 18-year-old prospect in Britain in any division is undoubtedly Vernon Sollas. Sollas revealed a maturity beyond his years."

And after the McGurk fight (THE RING, October 1973) I wrote—"I still think Sollas is a future champion, but he must stick to his own weight division."

Vernon had indeed matured, and told me—"Don't let anybody try and tell you there is anything in common between the amateur and professional codes; there's a vast difference. Pro boxing is a man's sport.

"As an amateur I used to rely on speed, and enjoyed a bit of clowning occasionally. For instance, I liked to side-step and watch my opponent stumble past. Then stop and admire my work."

Even when he first turned pro, Vernon still clowned. He loved to try and imitate the Ali shuffle, would dance about, sometimes unnecessarily, and generally play to the gallery.

Some fans loved it, others hated it and called him "flash." But after all, he was only 18, and needed more experience and careful handling before he learned to cut out the dancing, and concentrate on the job.

But at least his antics gave him plenty of publicity. The critics had plenty to write about, for besides his clowning inside the ring, he is a good talker outside it. He is brash, confident, even boastful. This is Sollas. But he has the ability to back it up.

On March 26, 1974, he was matched with former champion Jimmy Revie. It was an official eliminator and if he beat Revie, it would have been a short cut to a title fight when he was old enough. But he lost on points after a fine contest, and by the narrowest possible margin of half a point.

There was controversy over the result, but Vern had shown that he was in championship class. He thought he had won, but he hadn't been hurt, so it was all good experience.

But when the following June he was matched with fellow-Scot Evan Armstrong, who at that time was British champion, I had my doubts about the wisdom of such a move. After all, Sollas had had only 14 bouts, and was still only 19.

It wasn't a title fight, and there was little Vern could gain from such a match, whether he won, drew or lost. Moreover, Armstrong, at 31, was vastly experienced, and could punch a bit.

For five rounds it looked as if my fears were groundless. Vern proceeded to give his man a boxing lesson. It was like master and pupil, and the champion was the pupil. But this state of affairs didn't last.

Armstrong took all Sollas had to offer, then came in to do some punching on his own account, and as he opened out, revealing all his strength and experience, Sollas wilted, and was eventually kayoed in the eighth.

I still refused to alter my opinion or my faith in Vernon, and in THE RING (September 1974) wrote—"Let me go on record as saying that I still think Sollas will win a British title. He has more than enough skill, the stamina will come with more experience."

However, Vern seemed none the worse for his defeat, continued his career as if nothing had happened, and when Armstrong announced his retirement from the ring, Sollas and Revie were matched for the vacant title at the Royal Albert Hall on March 25, 1975.

It was a different Sollas this time. He cut out all the clowning, gradually wore Revie down with good box-fighting, knocking him out in the fourth round.

The actual ending was controversial, in that Sollas was alleged by Revie's manager, Dennie Mancini, to have hit Revie while the latter was on the canvas after the second of three knockdowns.

But it is not always easy to pull back a punch once one has been started, and the referee gave the benefit of any doubt to Sollas. So he was British champion after two years and 19 fights.

Vern was the first one to pay tribute to all those who had helped him on the way to the title.

"My father has been marvellous," he told me. "Even when he was in the hospital on his back, with fluid on the spine, the result of a road accident, he kept writing to me with advice.

"Naturally I have a great deal to thank my manager, Bobby Neill, for. He has guided me to a title in a short time. And we plan to hold it for a long time. Trainer Peter Hill added a lot to my knowledge, and now my present trainer, Joe Devitt, who as a pro boxer, has been through it all before.

"Joe is a thinker, and I have great respect for him.

"I've always wanted to be somebody. And not just a champion, but a champion who can ENTERTAIN the fans as well as win fights.

"That's why I admire the real characters in sport, those who have individual skills. Men like footballers Pele and Georgie Best, cricketers like Tony Greig, and of course Muhammad Ali.

"I enjoy reading about and watching the 'greats' in action. I have seen films of Sugar Ray Robinson, and have learned to cut out the flashiness and make every punch count."

What of the future? I firmly believe that Sollas can win the Commonweallth and European crowns just as soon as he gets the chances to fight for them. As to a world title, who knows? But no one I have seen over the past quarter of a century has had more potential at his age. And certainly no one has had more skill.

LUNNY CUTS MENDIETTA OUT OF ACTION AFTER 5

BY CHRISTOPHER COATS

San Carlos, Cal. — Ray Lunny, well ahead after five rounds, was awarded a knockout victory over Armando Mendietta when the ring side physician ordered the bout stopped before the start of the sixth round, due to a deep gash over the left eye of Mendietta. The bout was a scheduled ten-rounder put together by co-promoters Joe Gagliardi and Jim Gama at the Citcle Star Theater.

Lunny, 132½, picked up his 21st victory against 3 draws as he easily outboxed his opponent. It was an unexpected ending when the referee raised Lunny's hand in victory because not many of the 1733 fans attending, who paid $12,500, noticed the cut over Mendietta's eye.

The heaviest punching came in the last round as the youngster from Redwood City began putting power into his combinations. Mendietta was game all the way but Lunny repeatedly scored with jabs and hooks.

Promoters Gagliardi and Gama are trying to match Lunny against Tyrone Everett of Philadelphia who recently decisioned Bert Nabalatan.

It seems that Ray's chances of getting a return bout with title holder Ben Villaflor will never materialize. Villaflor is suffering from a detached retina and will almost certainly not fight in the United States again.

In the supporting ten rounder undefeated Termite Watkins, 135, from Houston, added Leroy Walker to his list of victims in the eighth round.

Watkins, now 16-0, landed a series of uppercuts and hooks that dazed Walker, his corner threw in the towel with but one second remaining in the round. Cards of 5-0, 5-1, and 4-2 were turned in, all favoring Watkins.

The liveliest bout of the evening was a six rounder between Pascual Caldera, 119, Fresno, and John Gallo, 120, from Oakland. Both fighters traded punches without let up for six rounds and received a well called draw to the delight of the crowd.

In the only other bout of the evening Rafael Escobedo, 132, won a unanimous decision over Victor Vega, 130.

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UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

Time marches on, yet one cannot help but harken back to ye olden days when fate crossed our path and we first became associated with the legendary lawman of Dodge City, Kansas, William Barclay (Bat) Masterson. We continue to re-live our great moments spent on The Morning Telegraph with Editor-Publisher William E. Lewis that finally caught us up with "Bat", who shared the same office in the old Putnam Building, now the Paramount.

Historic moments always cropped up as we became secretary and assistent to the man who figured so much in America's history of the frontier days. Youngest man to ever be marshall of Dodge City, eighteen years young to be exact, his experiences in the battles of those days, then seeing the fistic notables of the 1908 era visit with him, it was quite an education.

Not only were the outstanding newspaper men of that era among his pals, but from far and near they came to visit with their friend. We recall the many letters Bat dictated to us to his friend, former President Teddy Roosevelt. And the fight scene, with Bat's uncanny perspective of important battles, is not to be forgotten.

When Georges Carpentier came here to lose to Jack Dempsey at Boyle's Thirty Acres, in Jersey City, we had our thrills at meeting up with Eugene Corri, Great Britain's #1 referee, and Charley Mitchell, the little guy who battled John L. Sullivan to a thirty-nine round draw in Chantilly, France.

Times have changed. New York's supply of dailies have dwindled to three, and when do you hear of champions or their managers visiting newspaper offices with their proteges? Perish the thought! In our days, outstanding promoters and managers flocked to sit and chat with Bat. Tom O'Rourke, a good promoter, who had two star champions in his time-Joe Walcott, the "Barbadoes Wonder," and great welterweight king, and George Dixon, Little Chocolate, standout as bantam and featherweight leader. Bat's three times a week stories—on Sunday, Tuesdays and Thursdays in The Morning Telegraph, were eagerly awaited by his own army of readers.

Bat Masterson was too picturesque a character to dismiss briefly. There were stories galore to recount his own experiences in Kansas and later happenings as a boxing critic in New York. It seems to me that a personality story on Bat and my own experiences as his assistant would be of great interest to readers of the Ring. From my viewpoint it would seem the one thing to do is that we should tell his version of the thrilling battle of the Adboe Walls, another interesting yarn. The complete story we hope will come at an early date.

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Former champions and other members of our boxing fraternity were among those present to witness the 10th annual party for overprivileged boys Sponsored by Dr. Max Novich at his home at South Orange, N.J. These weekly get togethers, attended by the parents of the participating youngsters, were witnessed by Lou Salica, twice bantam king, Two Ton Tony Galento, Charley Fusari, the Milkman originally from Irvington, N.J., and onetime welter contender, Cus D'Amato, who managed two world champions, Floyd Patterson and Jose Torres. These youngsters box two one minute rounds and their ages are from five to fourteen. Bill Stein, the public relations man, helped bring the celebs, and, to say the least, the audience, consisting also of the boxers' parents, liked what they saw. Among the spectators was Audrey Jones, widow of the late Willis N. (Jersey) Jones, former member of the Ring staff.

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The passing of Ezzard Charles, one of our most underrated heavyweight kings, left us with glorious memories of this wonderful ring man. His boxing record was amazing, especially when one considers that in 122 fights he scored 58 kayos, almost a fifty percent record, battled the greatest, and covered himself with glory as a fighter and a man.

The Georgian, who was brought up in Cincinnati, crowded plenty into his 54 years, not overlooking his Army stint in World War II. Such performers like Archie Moore, Gus Lesnevich and Joey Maxim were left by the way side. He became heavyweight champion when he conquered Jersey Joe Walcott, who finally captured the title via a seven round kayo in Pittsburgh's Forbes Field. Who can forget Ezzard's memorable battles with Rocky Marciano, who gave the Brockton

WILLIAM BARCLAY (BAT) MASTERSON

man the fights of his life. Nor will they forget the way he stymied Joe Louis when the "Brown Bomber" tried to make a comeback. Ezzard Charles had class and was a fine gentleman.

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Ring #8, VBA, New York, tossed a fine party at one of its meetings in the Statler Hilton, when President Al Reid's crowd played host to more than 450 people in honoring two of its finest workers—Abe Berman and Rose Katz, wife of member Mickey Katz. Everything was on the house. Rose Katz, who always pitches in at all of the Ring 8 affairs, and Abe Berman, were given a great reception by those present, who included ex-lightheavyweight champion Paul Berlenbach and many other members of his Ring #21. Members of other rings come to help make it a great success. And Mickey Katz, a real comedian, cut up quite a few capers on the dance floor. From Ring #8 there were ex-president and former flyweight king, Cpl. Izzy Schwartz, and Phil Terranova, the ex-NBA featherweight boss. When Ring 8 has a job to do they leave nothing undone to make it a success.

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Leonard DelGenio, who was a crack performer in his day when he was a

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VALDEZ DECKS MENDEZ

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until there simply was no option. When he finally hit the canvas he really hit it.

Mendez was knocked down twice in the second round, once in the fifth, once in the seventh and twice in the eighth.

It was a sad night for those fans who had come all the way with the Argentine with the expectation of seeing their favorite win the WBC title.

It was evident right from the start that Valdes packed too much artillery for the import.

If Valdes decided to do some head hunting, down went Mendez. If Valdes decided to do some infighting, down went the Argentinian again. It was just a mismatch and a very bad one, at that.

In the seventh round Valdes appeared to be in danger of punching himself out.

But he went right back to a furious attack in the eighth and that was that.

Colombian fans got the impression that Valdes is good enough to fight Monzon, with a good chance to come away with the undisputed world title.

The undercard was an interesting one. Our old friend Emile Griffith was in the ring with Juan Carlos Duran of the Argentine.

They went the advertised ten rounds for the WBC light heavy title and the American lost a unanimous decision.

This was not the Griffith of the past. He tired in the late rounds. However, so did Duran.

MARTINEZ STOPS JIMINEZ

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Jiminez, 27, shows a record of 51-11-2.

The Martinez victory went into the book as an eighth round KO.

Jiminez was knocked down in the seventh round.

In the sixth, the loser's gloves touched canvas. Jay Edson, the referee, did not call it a knockdown.

Jiminez got a thorough beating, and came out of the fight with cheeks swollen and a very bad taste in his mouth.

"GLEASON'S GYM" REPLACES STILLMAN'S ON GOTHEM'S MAP AS BOBBY WINS CITATION

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showplace for the workers in the fur and garment business. The workers find the atmosphere congenial, especially in the lunch period, when they will pay their entrance fee of $1 and take a seat in the visitors loges on the second floor, overlooking the ring.

A separate staircase leads upstairs to Gleason's offices, where also he has a special balcony for the press and promoters. With locker-rooms in the basement, on the ground level and on the second floor, he has special V.I.P. rooms set away from the general locker area, which are especially for the champions. Needless to say—with excellent showering and wash-up facility, it's natural that many of the other training spots around New York started to lose some of their clients. In Gleason's gym, even Main Eventers are accorded the courtesy of separate locker and room facility. This is indeed a far cry from the sweaty-stuffy gyms that became associated with Lou Stillman.

"No Smoking," "No Spitting," signs adorn the walls, "Pay up your Membership Dues," hits you in the eye as you enter the gym, where Bobby's long-time office manager Mack Williams presses a button and lets the fighters enter the gym, where he first observes them through a small window. Each member (there are approximately 200) has a number, a locker key and an account. The rates are reasonable—depending on the location, they pay $20 or $25 a month, and can use the gym and facility from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday to Friday, or 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays.

Bobby Gleason recounted some of the interesting anecdotes which span his career as a fighter, a trainer, a manager, a promoter, a second, on certain occasions as referee, and boxers' booking agent, matchmaker.

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ing was banned. Not being legal, we had to resort to fighting in out-of-the-way places. Barges on the docks, back rooms of saloons, where, incidentally, membership was 50 cents. Yes, even on vacant lots," Gleason told me.

"They legalized boxing back in 1911," added Bobby. Citing the Frawley Law as if the New York Legislature had only just drawn up the laws. He gave a chuckle, as he recalled, "under that law a fight that didn't end in a knockout was a 'no decision.' "

Pointing to the telephone Bobby said, "The first guy that got to a phone and called up the newspapers, he won the fight. At least, that's how you read it next day. I had over 100 fights, I never got to the phone, so probably, I lost 'em all. Guess I KO'ed a few, though.

"That was all changed in 1920," said Gleason. "The Walker Law came into being. It was created by that later Mayor of New York, who was a fabulous guy, who loved boxing and had regular seats at the fights."

With amazing memory, Gleason continued, "Jimmy set up a boxing commission and under its laws, decisions had to be rendered through judges and referees."

It's natural that a man who has been involved as long as Gleason, over seventy years, would know all the unsavory characters, the con artists, the Mob Guys. All sports have them, and boxing was the sport that seemed to attract them. When I questioned Bobby about such associations, he shrugged his shoulders, throwing his hands up, said, "Just around the corner from where I lived, a lot of the guys were regarded as mobsters."

Gleason was emphatic about association. He said, "You have got to understand that these racketeers and mob guys are like prostitutes, they come after you if they think you've got something to give them, aw hell, they never bothered me any, because I never really had anything to offer them."

At an age when most men are long retired, Bobby Gleason is still working a 12-hour day. Why? "Because I don't want to retire yet—not until I get older," Gleason said.

In 1935, Bobby acquired a gymnasium at 434 Westchester Ave. in the Bronx. Due to urban renewal, the building was slated for razing. Instead of saying, "Well, I guess that's it, I'm retiring," Bobby went to Manhattan, selected another building and opened it as his newest venture. That was in 1974. He didn't seem concerned about making money, "as long as the place pays for itself," said Bobby. Of course, it doesn't seem to concern Bobby that he has to come up with close to $1,700 every month for rent and utilities. "I'm working, that's what counts," said Bobby. "Boxing is my life, the gym is my life, as long as I can break even, that's all I care." Well, you have to admit, with men like this man, boxing will always flourish.

"There is no gym in the country like this one," said the Dean of boxing managers. Although he oversees the entire operation of his gym, Bobby still finds time to go "on the road," and is often in the corner of his fighters, of which he manages several.

CHAMP QUIJANO BEATS ALARCON IN 12 AT MANILA

By FELIPE C. GALANG

Manila, P.I. — Ric Quijane, 118¾ junior featherweight champion of the Philippines beat Edwin Alarcon, 119 No. 1 contender in 12 rounds at the Coliseum. Alarcon had just arrived from a successful invasion of Guam and won most his fights by KO.

Quijane was so fast for the slow moving Alarcon that puzzled him for the evening. Alarcon had been trying to land his haymaker but found his target too elusive. The decision of the referee and the two judges was unanimous.

Elmer Arriesgado, 117, defeated Armin Marbella, 120 in 8 rounds. Rene Cruz, Jr., 118, knocked out Joe Biliran, 119, in the 2nd. Ernie Pinon, 121, outpointed Rene Sedayon, 119, in 6. Franco Torreggasa, 110, stopped Dick Arcega, 112, in the 4th round. Edmundo Ejandra, 118, and Rey Cellano, 119, battle to a draw.

Tony Jumaoas, 129, lightweight champion of the Philippines kayoed Fel Clementes, 128, oriental featherweight titlist in the 7th round. A cut over the right eyebrow of Clementes had caused his defeat.

It was the best fight with both starting the fireworks from the first bell without a letoff very much to the amusement of 7,000 fans.

Francisco Cruz, 112, kayoed Ben Aldeguer, 112, in the 8th round. Rudy Matira, 130, outpointed Al Espinosa, 129, in 10 rounds. Ely Barrios, 118, beat Eracio Jr., 118, in the 8 rounds. Tito Gonzaga, 136, outpointed Al Castillo, 135.

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WILBURN SLAMS BOLDS IN ONE

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

St. Paul, Minn. — The main event at the Armory turned out to be short but action packed as Chuck Wilburn of Cleveland, O. stopped Rudy Bolds of Pittsburgh, Pa. in the first round, flooring Bolds twice in the process of their junior welterweight bout.

It was apparent as the fight started that both fighters meant business as they exchanged sharp jabs and solid rights. Midway through the round Wilburn nailed Bolds coming in with a beautiful right hand to the jaw, and Rudy went down. He got up on wobbly legs and was blasted by another right, andhwent down again. He was in bad shape as he arose and referee Billy McCabe stopped the fight at 2:15 of the first round.

In the semi-final, Al Franklin of Minneapolis (31-28-2) subbed for the ill George Anderson, and stopped Marion Thomas of Indianapolis (30-11-1) at 2:15 of the fourth round.

Doug Demmings, Minneapolis (13-1-0) won a clear cut six round decision over John Heidel of St. Louis in a middleweight fight.

Clem Tucker of St. Paul (3-1-1) won an easy four round decision over Jimmy Claar of Indianapolis. They are middleweights.

▲**Minneapolis, Minn.** — In one half of the double main event at the Auditorium, Glenn Morgan, 166¼, Richfield, Minn. avenged the only loss on his record as he knocked out Ernie Burns, 164½, Miami, Fla. at 2:50 of the sixth round.

A sharp right cross put Burns down for the count in the only knockdown of the fight. Morgan was sharp as he would pump two and three fast jabs into the face of the aggressive Burns. But it was the rights to the body and head that took their toll on Burns.

In the other scheduled ten rounder Mike Morgan, 160, Richfield, Minn. was stopped in the fifth round by crisp punching Sammy Barr (Barra), 154½, Miami Beach.

Rory O'Shea, 147, Minneapolis (24-3-1), knocked out "Wonderful" Willie Williams, 143½, Akron, O. (9-35-3) 3.

Mike Gephart, 142, Lakeville, Minn. (7-2-0) stopped Ron Pettigrew, 144, Cleveland, O. (2-17-1) in the fifth round.

▲**Minneapolis, Minn.** — St. Paul welterweight Gary Holmgren's first main event proved to be unsuccessful as he was stopped in the third round by slick boxer-puncher Ricardo Thomatis of Chicago on a dinner show at the Leamington Hotel.

Holmgren fought his usual non stop fight from the opening bell but inexperience in pacing himself saw Holmgren punch himself out as Thomatis, ala Muhammad Ali, placed himself on the ropes and let Holmgren punch away.

Al "Sugar Daddy" Franklin, Minneapolis lightweight (32-28-2) easily stopped Eddie Daniels of Denver at 50 seconds of the second round.

Doug Demmings of Minneapolis (14-1-0) outpointed Jesse Smith of St. Paul (0-3-0) in a four round middleweight encounter.

Notes. . .Ron Stander, Council Bluffs, Ia. heavyweight is now under the management of Wayzata, Minn. real estate man William Cooley. . .The contract way purchased from Ed Imondi of Providence, R.I. . . .A new Minnesota law now permits licensed state promoters to also be managers of fighters.

HOOSIERS GO OUTDOORS GOINS BEATS TRUJILLO

By MICHAEL M. SCHWARTZ

Indianapolis, Ind. — John Appel's Ten Rounds moved its monthly professional boxing card outdoors for the Summer season, with 1,324 customers paying $7,865 to see a 6 bout show. The feature 10 rounder pitted local sensation, Stormin Norman Goins against Houston's Lorenzo "Boom Boom" Trujillo. Boom Boom at an unusually heavy 139 lbs. took the fight to his 133 pound foe early but found that going after Goins "Can be hazardous to your health." Norman shook his considerably shorter adversary with a solid left hook late in round one and followed with a straight right hand. In the second round, Trujillo began moving and boxing forcing the relentless Stormin Norman to miss. In the fifth round Goins opened a bad cut over Trujillo's left eye and in the sixth round another straight right hand opened another cut under the eye, while a Goins hook opened a gash on the game Mexican's scalp. With blood streaming all over his body, Lorenzo decided to once again take the fight to Goins late in the seventh and the two lightweights stood toe to toe throughout the 8th and 9th and on into the 10th keeping the screaming crowd on their feet throughout. Neither man was down though both were rocked on numerous occasions.

The Indianapolis Star called this fight the best staged in Indiana since Henry Hank-Mark Tessman back in 1969. The scoring was: judge Tom Catterson scored it 98-93; judge Ms. Pat Barlow scored it 98-97 while referee Gene Parker saw it 98-96, Goins the winner unanimously.

In a semi wind-up 10 rounder, Slammin Sammy NeSmith proved beyond any doubt that he is "For Real," by sending rugged vet Willie "Sweetwater" Warren into dreamland at 75 seconds into the 2nd round.

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By DON SAUER

WHEN former heavyweight champion, EZZARD CHARLES passed away recently, it was like the closing of an era in boxing—CHARLES who fought his two greatest but losing fights against ROCKY MARCIANO—was never noted in the ring game for his killer instinct. . . .EZZARD very much wanted to be a popular champion but instead wore the same albatross as GENE TUNNEY.

They each beat a folk hero and suffered the resentment of the people. . . .CHARLES followed the great JOE LOUIS and GENE followed JACK DEMPSEY . . this was EZZARD'S misfortune. CHARLES held the heavyweight title for two years—was out of action for six months with a bruised heart muscle and yet defended his crown eight times in 18 months—a remarkable record. . . .the main thing about EZZARD CHARLES that I remember was that he was a class guy—which is something that is lacking in some of his predecessors—we will miss him—and I am certainly sure that boxing has suffered one of its greatest losses in his passing.

GEORGE FRANCIS asks me to "set up some matches" for his W.B.C. light-heavyweight king JOHN CONTEH of England in the U.S.—also for his other battlers, BUNNY STERLING, BUNNY JOHNSON and PAT McCANN . . but action and money is tight here in the U.S., and maybe GEORGE would be better off boxing in his native balliwick—PETE HELLER, the author of "In This Corner" informs me that he has mementoes from the ALI-FOREMAN Zaire fight—key chains for your auto keys—contact PETE for same at his N.Y.C. office, he is sports editor for A.B.C.

INGEMAR JOHANNSON—has a restaurant—doing a lucrative business, called "Ingo's" in his native Gothenburg in Sweden. . . .after the Toronto fiasco former heavyweight champ GEORGE FOREMAN is NOT being besieged with offers for his services . . . in fact, GEORGE is having problems getting a fight or two.

KEN NORTON, made such a hit in the movie "Mandingo".. that he is seriously considering deserting the ring for a shot at celliloid stardom. . . .

Speaking of heavyweights . . my old drinking partner, JACK O'HALLORAN, former socker of the sixties and early seventies, is making his debut as an actor in "Farewell My Lovely" . . . JACK should fare pretty well. . . .Veteran fight trainer, LOU GROSS was in his native Chicago recently to look over some C.Y.O. boxers for a friend . . . LOU is one from the old school . . . a teacher, and his kind are mighty rare in boxing today—. . . .The Massachusetts State Boxing Commission has finally moved their offices from their haunt of years gone by, Commonwealth Ave., to the brand new State Office Building at Ashburton Place, in Boston . . . secretary FRANK LEHAN does his usual good job of keeping all news media posted—. . . .

The word is that the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas "went for $250,000" to bring the ALI-LYLE fight to their city—and didn't get its money back at the tables . . . A.B.C. smarting from the

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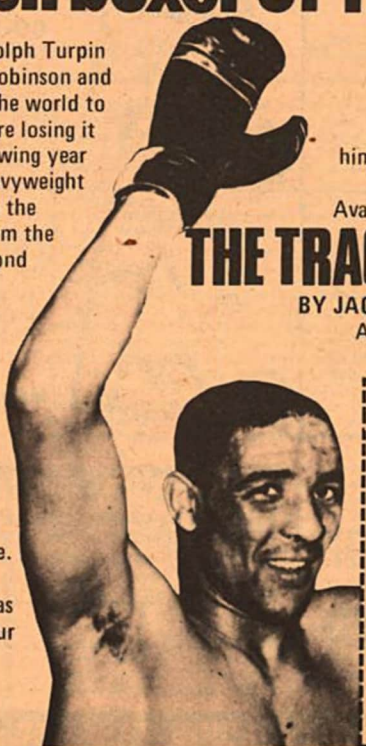

On the evening of July 10th, 1951, Randolph Turpin defeated the great American Sugar Ray Robinson and took the middleweight championship of the world to Britain. He held the title for 64 days before losing it to Sugar Ray in a return match. The following year he gained the British and Empire light-heavyweight championship from Don Cockell, and also the European Middleweight championship from the Dutchman Luc van Dam–a record 48-second victory in that weight which still stands unbroken.

In 1953 Turpin had again won and lost a world championship, was divorced summoned before the British Boxing Board and banned from fighting in the U.S.A. and was the centrepiece of a major scandal when a New York negress accused him of rape and assault. In the course of his boxing career–and it reached its peak when he was twenty-three. Turpin earned £300,000 which was a phenomenal amount in his time, but he was bankrupted for a tax debt of £17,000. Four years later he shot himself while he was working as a cook in his second wife's transport cafe.

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MUELLER WINS AUSSIES FIRST JUNIOR LIGHT TITLE

By RAY MITCHELL

Sydney, Australia — The first-evern Commonwealth title fight in the junior-lightweight division took place at St. Marys Band Club and I was proud to be part of it. I was the referee. The contestants were Australian champion Billy Moeller, 129¾, and Scotsman Jimmy Bell, 126¾. Both are southpaws.

It was a very good fight, close all the way, plenty of fast action and tension throughout, and at the end of the 15 rounds a large shower of coins was thrown into the ring. Moeller won on points, but at the end of the 11th Bell was ahead. The turning point came in round 12 when Moeller landed a spanking left hook that shook Bell to his toenails. Billy went on with it and Bell was sorely pressed to stay there.

Bell came back well in the 13th but he was a shade hesitant, just enough to allow Moeller to beat him to the punch. I carded it 146-143 to Moeller. Judge Don Marks saw it even at 144-144, while judge George Barnes had it 148-142 to Moeller.

In a six-round support Al Gattling, 174, one of Australia's leading light-heavies, outpointed heavyweight Les Miller, 205, in an interesting bout.

Hector Thompson, 137½, silenced his New Zealand critics by flattening N. Zeder Ali Afakasi, 139¾, in the 10th round of a scheduled 15 for Thompson's Commonwealth junior-welterweight title.

Venue was Brisbane Festival Hall. Thompson did not show out at his best until the 10th term. He was almost casual and allowed Afakasi to take liberties—such as hitting the champion with blows that Thompson normally would have been expected to evade.

At the end of the ninth referee Terry Reilly had it even. My unofficial card had Afakasi one point ahead. But in the 10th Hector came to life. He landed a solid left hook. Afakasi flew back, drove Thompson back a couple of paces, then Hec gathered himself and landed a superb right uppercut. Down went Afakasi in a heap. He beat the ten but after taking a couple of solid blows a few seconds later his knees dipped and Terry Reilly rescued him. There were no complaints about the stoppage. How could there be? Afakasi was gone.

Australian and Commonwealth light-heavyweight champion Steve Aczel, 176¼, was fed a soft touch in Peter Clay, 170¼, from New Zealand, at Melbourne Festival Hall, May 16. Steve skittled Clay in the second round.

▲An extremely unusual ending to a fight came about at Brisbane Festival Hall. American "Sweet" James Marshall, 157, took a left on the head from New Zealand champion Monty Betham, 161½, and Betham wrung his hand in pain. He fell to the floor and was counted out by referee Des Crabbe. That was in the third round. He later had his thumb x-rayed.

Betham was ahead on points at the time. Marshall had not unleashed any bombs but later stated that he intended to do so in the sixth round!

In an eight-rounder on the same bill Bunger Johnson, 138, clearly outpointed Ceddy McGrady, 139, while in another eight Willie Leslie, 129, flattened Lindsay Roberts, 128, in the third heat. Roberts had strung together five successive fast KO wins in Brisbane but he is not possessed of a granite jaw, as many opponents have attested.

Australian and Commonwealth bantamweight champion Paul Ferreri, 119, suffered his first loss to a fellow Aussie, and only the third (all points decisions) in his career of 51 fights, when he lost narrowly to a young Sydney lad, Brian Roberts, 118½, over ten at Marrickville R.S.L. Club, May 14. It was a good fight. This was their fourth meeting. Ferreri narrowly won the first two, the third was a draw. Roberts is improving and will be a force. He certainly deserves a shot at Ferreri's titles.

In the main support over eight rounds Greg Haggart, 124, outpointed Wayne Wallace, 124½, in a good bout.

Former Australian junior-lightweight champion Paul Bink, scaling on the junior-welter limit 140, continued his comeback with a sound points win over Sid Dumbrell, 147, over ten rounds at South Sydney Junior Leagues Club, Kingsford, June 4. Bink was very sharp and out-scored Dumbrell the boxer to win by a good margin. Bink's manager Bernie Hall is seeking an Australian lightweight title for Bink, and has offered champion Matt Ropis a good figure to defend his title.

The State of Victoria has a good young featherweight named Jimmy Brown, who is leading contender for the Australian featherweight title. Also in Victoria is another youngster named Dave Richards who in recent bouts forced his way to the number three contender post in the lightweight division. But what happens? The two were matched at Melbourne Festival Hall, with Richards making 128, Brown 126¾. Good fight that drew a large shower of coins from ringsiders, but southpaw Brown outpointed Richards over the 10-round journey by a good margin. So bang goes a potential drawcard in Richards. Back to the drawing board—or perhaps he will be used in future as a trial horse?

There was a torrid six-rounder between two Australian-rated junior-lights in Barry Michael, 129, and Robbie Williams, 129, as the main support to Brown-Richards. Action aplenty and stylish boxing and hitting, but Michael stood the wear and tear the better and skittled Williams in the fourth round. Large shower of coins was a bonus for a good fight.

▲Good featherweight battle at Blacktown R.S.L. Club. Brian Clout, 120, outpointed Guinea Gillier, 121½ over ten. In another ten, not nearly so good, Billy Harrison, 141, outpointed Ceddy McGrady, 141. In an eight-round support Willie Leslie, 130, outpointed Kevin Percy, 129½.

▲At Blacktown R.S.L. Club, listed at 148½ (surprisingly light) gained a close points decision over Wally Carr, 148¼, in a crowd-pleaser that drew a large shower from ringsiders. Ten rounds. In an eight-round support Steve Butler, 136, looked good in drawing with Kim McCain, 137.

One week later at the same club N.S.W. State featherweight champion Billy Mulholland, 126, gained a clear points decision over Wayne Wallace, 125, in a non-title go. Over eight rounds Kim McCain, 138, outpointed Steve Butler, 140, in a return.

▲Six nights later Mulholland and Wallace gloved up again. This time Mulholland was much too good, gaining a very clear points win. Billy must own Wayne now, having beaten him three times in the past two months. Venue of their latest meeting was North Sydney Leagues Club, Cammeray.

In a six-round support Jimmy Greco, 143¾, gained the best win of his career in halting experienced and clever Martin Ross, 143, in the sixth session. Ross was decked three times.

Wayne Cullen, welterweight champion of New South Wales, has relinquished his title and retired because of a back injury suffered last year while at work, an injury that still causes him trouble. So Wally Carr, 146¼, and Alex Burns, 146, teed off at Blacktown R.S.L. on June 5 for the vacant State title. Burns decked Carr twice in the second round but that was Burns's only purple patch. Carr got on top in the third, edged or clearly won the succeeding rounds and finished Burns with a left to the head in the ninth round. Billed for 12 rounds.

In an eight-round support Joe Keresi, 151, who is showing out well in his, so far, short professional career, halted Leigh Rapson, 153, in the second round.

▲It seems to be a month of return bouts. Reno Zurik and Acki Puncher have just completed a rugged double 28 days apart. Puncher won a narrow points decision over ten rounds. Acki repeated, this time over eight rounds. Again it was close. Each fight was a really rugged affair, each bouncing punches off the other like peas off a drum. They are light-heavies. Both bouts took place at South Sydney Juniors.

▲Eddie Buttons, 150, displaying great fire, stopped Mario Martinello, 148, in the second round. Mario was floored midway through the second stanza and although he was on his feet at around six, he still wasn't clear when I reached nine so I crowned Buttons. One week later Ross Eadie, 142, junior welter champ of the State of N.S.W., disposed of South Australian Laurie Mack, 145, in the third heat. Mack was decked by a body punch, regained his feet but started to cave after another body shot, so I called it off. In a six-rounder on the Eadie-Mack bill, Les Miller, 199, pulled off a stunning KO over Johnny Lately (formerly Sione Maluafanua), 199, in the third round. Lately did not move throughout the count.

▲Robbie Williams, 127, and Roger Henry, 128, turned on a sparkling eight at Manly-Warringah Leagues Club, Brookvale, with Williams coming home well to gain the points. This bout was 13 nights before Williams went under to Barry Michael in Melbourne.

On the same night at Williams-Henry, two eights headlined at Western Suburbs Leagues Club, New Lambton. In one, Steve Walker, 118, outpointed Charlie Brown, 118, in a good bout that drew a shower of coins. In the other Joe Keresi, 148, outpointed Martin Ross, 145. That was 16 nights prior to Ross being stopped by Jimmy Greco.

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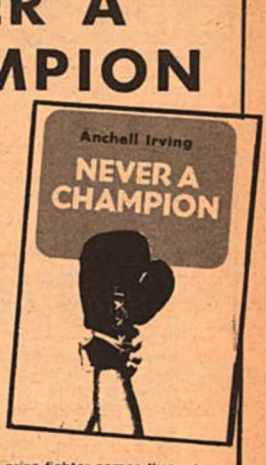

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By DON FRASER

VIRUETS GONE FROM N.Y. OPEN WITH COASTS WINS

LOS ANGELES, CAL. — The Viruet brothers, who have moved here from New York, started their California campaign well. Both won their introductory fights out here.

The invasion of the Brothers at the Olympic Auditorium started out well with 23-year-old Adolph dropping Roy Holloway, 136, Los Angeles, for the full count in the fifth round.

The fight was rather tame till the fifth. Sitting at ringside, older brother Edwin yelled to Adolph, "go left handed".

The advice paid off midway in the fifth when the New York Puerto Rican unloaded a booming overhand left to Holloway's jaw.

There was no reason for referee Larry Rozadilla to count as Holloway was out for the night. Viruet weighed 140, having to shed 3½ pounds in the steam room the afternoon of the fight.

Lino Caillas, 121, Mexico, dec. over Isidro Guzman, 126, Los Angeles, (6); Antonio Sanchez, 119, Los Angeles, KO over Willie Chatman, 118, Detroit, (2); Alex Agosta, 131, East L.A., dec. over Ignacio Bravo, 126, Mexico, (5).

The older of the fighting brothers, Edwin, had his hands full, escaping with a 10-round split decision win over Rogelio Castaneda of Mexico at the Olympic Auditorium.

Viruet, from New York, weighed 134, and improved his record to 25-1. Castenada weighed 134½.

This show marked the switch of Thursday nights to Saturdays at the Olympic. The Thursday night habit had been going for 10 years.

Alfredo Gonzales, 147, Los Angeles, KO over Carlos Lopez, 150, Mexico, (1); Isidro Guzman, 126, East L.A., dec. over Jose del Rio, 123, Los Angeles, (5); Johnny Jensen, 125, Los Angeles, dec. Frankie Granadon, 123, East L.A., (6).

▲**Stockton** — Alvaro (Yaqui) Lopez, 176, California's light heavyweight title hope, took the measure of Irish Terry Lee, 175½, Concord, in the 10-round feature at Civic Auditorium.

Lopez, who is the son-in-law of former Stockton promoter Jack Cruz, is looking for a title match with England's John Coneth.

▲**San Diego** — Schoolboy Manny Luijan, 124, San Diego, had to hustle last December to decision Tanny Amancio, 123, Manila, P.I. This time a much improved Lujan was in complete control, but he still had to travel ten rounds to win.

Aramdno Cordova, 135½, North Hollywood, was sharp in knocking out Dave Lopez, 136, Los Angeles, in the third round of their scheduled six.

▲**Los Angeles** — Carlos Palomino, a student at Long Beach State College, was a bit off top form, but still easily took a unanimous 10-round decision over Roger Buckskin of Eureka (Cal) at the Olympic Auditorium.

Palomino, who weighed 148½, is ready to move up against tougher competition. Buckskin tipped in at 155½.

Willie Chatman, newest member of the Armando Muniz stable, scored an impressive sixth-round knockout over Jesus Lugo, 120½. Willie weighed 120.

Oscar Armas, 131, Los Angeles, dec. over Solomon Wilson, 130½, So. L.A., (5); Alfred Gonzales, 148, East L.A., dec. over Chico Jernimo, 148, Mexico, (5).

Viruet Brothers Adolfo (left) Edwin (right)

▲**San Diego** — The little Irish Marciano, Art Hafey, 126, chased Julio Leal, 127½, San Diego, for ten rounds and there was no doubt the decision belonged to Hafey.

This was Art's seventh straight win this year.

Dave Lopez, 146½, San Diego, stopped Jesus Burciaga, 147, Los Angeles, (6); Basilio Onate, National City, 134¼, KO over Jose Escobar, 137, San Diego, (3); Jorge Mejia, 131, Los Angeles, KO over Tommy Nava, 134½, San Diego, (6).

▲**Sacramento** — Sugar Ray Seales, 158, Tacoma, out-danced southpaw Rudy Cruz, 161, Fresno, to take the 10-round decision in an exciting main event at Memorial Auditorium.

Seales captured six of the ten rounds, with one even.

▲**San Carlos** — Ray Lunny, who wants to challenge for the junior lightweight title, remained unbeaten with a one-sided fifth round knockout over Armando Mendieta, 132, Mexico City.

Lunny weighed 132½ and fights out of Palo Alto.

In a second 10-rounder, Termite Watkins, 136, Orlando, Fla., stopped Leroy Walker, 136, San Francisco, midway in the eighth round.

Rafael Escobedo, 132, San Jose, dec. over Victor Vega, 130, San Francisco, (6); John Gallo, 120½, San Francisco, and Pascual Caldera, 118, Mexico, drew (6).

The Joe Gagaliardi promotion grossed $12,492.

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THE BRITISH ISLE

By RON OLVER

GYPSY FRANKHAM'S TITLE WIN OVER C. FINNEGAN BY HALFPOINT STARTS RIOT

LONDON, ENGLAND — Even Frank Sinatra, who had given a concert at this venue a few days earlier, didn't generate as much excitement or receive as large an ovation as did Gypsy Johnny Frankham and Chris Finnegan, who met for the British light-heavyweight title left vacant by John Conteh.

This contest, held on the eve of the English Derby at Epsom, was one of the most thrilling seen anywhere in the country in recent years, both men giving everything they had.

There was incessant cheering throughout, but this was nothing to the stormy scenes and pandemonium at the end of the 15th and final round, when referee Harry Gibbs raised Frankham's arm, judging that he had won by 148-147½, the narrowest possible margin.

It seemed that all hell was let loose. Missiles were thrown toward the ring, and one bottle struck a reporter on the head, bouncing onto the typewriter of another.

Chris's wife Cheryl had to be restrained from remonstrating with the referee, Finnegan supporters invaded the ring to protest at the verdict, and Frankham fans invaded the ring to congratulate their champion. Scuffles inevitably ensued.

Frankham's two-year-old son was passed over the heads of the crowd to Johnny inside the ring with spectators still milling around, and with officials trying their best to see that the youngster came to no harm. Fortunately, the "aerial journey" was accomplished safely, but it was a stupid thing to do.

And it didn't end there. In the corridors outside the dressingroom, Chris's brother Kevin, former European and British middleweight champion, was allegedly punched in the chest, but wisely did not retaliate.

Oh yes, the verdict. I thought referee Gibbs controlled the contest admirably, but I also thought Finnegan deserved to win by half a point. I accept the referee's decision, as he was inside the ring nearest the boxers, with everyone else outside.

Frankham, Reading, 173¼, boxed competently and kept cool under enormous pressure. Finnegan, Hillingdon, 172, was aggressive throughout, and I thought he landed more scoring punches than did his opponent.

This was an amazing contest in many ways. These two are mates outside the ring, and knowing the amount of science on both sides, I anticipated a battle of jabs, southpaw Finnegan's right against Frankham's left, with the action mainly at long range.

Instead, we saw a "war." It was vicious, with skills often neglected in their endeavours to land hard punches. Both were marked and cut around the face, and I would rate this as one of the most punishing and most exciting title fights of recent years.

Many critics forecast a Finnegan victory because of his having boxed over longer distances more often than John, and also having met World-class opposition. But Frankham was still there at the finish, keeping his cool while Chris was getting a bit desperate.

The opening round was fought at a cracking pace, with Finnegan immediately on the

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In London at the Cunard International Hotel, Randy Neuman, of the U.S.A., was credited with an 8-round kayo over Billy Aird, of England, when the referee halted their heavyweight fight.

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Bunny Johnson (J)
1. Joe Bugner (E)
2. Mani Vaka (T)
3. Danny McAlinden (I)
4. Billy Aird (E)
5. Ngozika Ekwelum (N)
6. Richard Dunn (E)
7. Fonomanu Sekona (T)
8. Rocky Campbell (Ant)
9. Eddie Neilson (E)
10. Maile Naimona (Samoa)

CRUISERWEIGHT

Champion
Steve Aczel (A)
1. John Conteh (E)
2. Johnny Frankham (E)
3. Victor Attivor (G)
4. Chris Finnegan (E)
5. Tim Wood (E)
6. Roy John (W)
7. Pat McCann (E)
8. Gary Summerhays (C)
9. Baby Boy Rolle (J)
10. Greg McNamara (A)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Championship Vacant

1. Bunny Sterling (J)
2. Kevin Finnegan (E)
3. Carlos Marks (T)
4. Larry Paul (E)
5. Alan Minter (E)
6. Lawrence Hafey (C)
7. Gary Broughton (C)
8. Carl Speare (E)
9. Roy Lee (J)
10. Dave Dakers (Br. Hon.)

LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHT

Championship Vacant

1. Elisha Obed (Bah)
2. Maurice Hope (Ant)
3. Monty Betham (NZ)
4. Matt Donovan (Tr)
5. Kevin White (E)
6. Jean Claud Leclair (C)
7. Ricky Patterson (A)
8. Billy O'Donnell (A)
9. Johnny Galluzzo (A)
10. Jim Bavin (NZ)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Clyde Gray (C)
1. John H. Stracey (E)
2. Rocky Mattioli (A)
3. Fernand Marcotte (C)
4. Eddie Blay (G)
5. Bunny Grant (J)
6. Pat Thomas (J)
7. Jeff Gale (W)
8. Kenny Webber (E)
9. Henry Whiney (J)
10. Lennox Beckles (Guy)

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Hector Thompson (A)
1. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
2. Martin Beni (Papua)
3. Joey Singleton (E)
4. Pat McCormack (I)
5. Johnny Summerhays (C)
6. Des Morrison (J)
7. Wally Carr (A)
8. Alan Salter (E)
9. Billy Waith (W)
10. Colin Cassidy (A)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion
Jonathan Dele (N)
1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Jim Watt (S)
3. Matt Ropis (A)
4. Percy Hayles (J)
5. Fitzroy Guiseppe (Tr)
6. Andy Broome (A)
7. George McGurk (E)
8. Tommy Dunn (E)
9. Paul Collette (C)
10. Dave Richards (A)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Champion
David Poison Kotey (G)
1. Art Hafey (C)
2. Vernon Sollas (S)
3. Bobby Dunne (A)
4. Jimmy Revie (E)
5. Merv Wockner (A)
6. George Turpin (E)
7. Bingo Crooks (J)
8. Alan Buchanan (S)
9. Alan Richardson (E)
10. Howard Hayes (E)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Paul Ferreri (A)
1. Dave Needham (E)
2. Brian Roberts (A)
3. Paddy Maguire (I)
4. Sulley Shittu (G)
5. Paddy Graham (I)
6. Jim Slatter (A)
7. John Kellie (S)
8. Guinea Hillier (A)
9. Dennis Talbot (A)
10. Brian Clout (A)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion
Big Jim West (A)
1. Patrick Mambwe (Zam)
2. John McCluskey (S)

Billy Moeller (A) won the vacant and newly-formed Junior lightweight title by beating Jimmy Bell (S). Commonwealth Championships Committee has already ordered the winner to defend against Mama Clay within six months. No other contenders at this time.

THE BRITISH ISLE

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attack, Frankham content to bide his time and box on the defensive. Finnegan's forcing tactics paid off as he caught his man in the second round with a cracking left hook that pulled him up in his tracks.

In the third the trouble started. First there was an ominous sound of heads cracking together, and then Finnegan did his version of the Ali-shuffle. A bit of a brawl ensued, whereupon the referee stopped the fight to lecture the boxers, and tell them in no uncertain terms that this was a title fight, and he wanted no clowning.

Frankham held his own for the second and third, and I thought he shaded the fourth when Finnegan was cut by the right eye. Chris came back well to take the next session, but both were cut in the sixth, Frankham on the left eyebrow, Finnegan over the left eye.

Nevertheless, it was an even round, at the end of which referee Gibbs went to Finnegan's corner to inspect the damage. Frankham fans were already cheering, anticipating a stoppage, but the official was satisfied that the injury could be treated, and so to the seventh.

Now it was Frankham's turn to be cut, on the left eyelid, and Finnegan stepped up the pace to take the round. Then, just as it seemed as if Finnegan might have gained some control, even momentarily, he was cut by the right eye in the eighth, and this gave Frankham the incentive to come forward with some useful jabs and hooks.

There was a swelling under Frankham's left eye, and another warning from the referee to both after yet a further clash of heads. I gave the ninth to Finnegan.

Frankham boxed coolly in the tenth, scoring with good counterpunches, and Finnegan's right jab was not always landing. The more decisive punches in this round were landed by Frankham, and it was his round.

The eleventh and twelfth were both good rounds for Finnegan. He kept on the attack, never giving Frankham a chance to settle, and Johnny invariably waited until Chris led before trying anything on his own account. In fact, there were some stages where I felt that if Finnegan had dropped his hands by his sides indicating "Your turn to lead for a change," Johnny would have been nonplussed and the fans might have appreciated just what was going on.

However, Finnegan obviously felt that while he was showing persistent aggression he must receive credit for it, and I felt so too. Both were tired now, Finnegan more than his opponent, but he kept coming forward, even though he landed up with his punches flailing around Frankham's neck, and having to lean on his opponent.

The fourteenth was a torrid affair as both tried to pull out that Extra reserve in order to clinch the verdict. Frankham was caught early on with a couple of good jabs to the face, but came back well and although he was still being driven back by Finnegan's sheer determination, was landing the cleaner punches.

Finnegan just kept coming forward in the final round, but having caught up with his man was too tired to do anything else but lean on. Frankham too was understandably weary, but connected with a couple of useful jabs, and it was a tribute to their training and trainers that both possessed so much stamina.

Three champions took part in supporting bouts, and European and British welter kingpin John H. Stracey, Bethnal Green, 146, beat Mexican Reuben Vasquez, 146¼, referee Harry Gibbs intervening in the eight of a scheduled ten-rounder.

British featherweight champion Vernon Sollas, Edinburgh, 126½, revealed his undoubted class in stopping Filipino Alberto Reyes, 129, in 2 min. 50 sec. of the opening round.

Former heavyweight champion Danny McAlinden, Coventry, 193½, kayoed German Helmut Sasse, 195, in the fifth. McAlinden had the worst of the two opening sessions, but came right back to outpunch and outgame his man.

London Cunard International Hotel — Ramdy Neuman, Cliffside Park, N.J., U.S.A. halted local Billy Aird in 8. The referee stopped the contest due to a badly cut left eye of Aird. This was a heavyweight bout.

Eddie Neilson, Swindon, 212½, beat Mike Boswell, America, 188½, the referee intervening in the third. Boswell, loser of his last 16 bouts, proved no match for southpaw Neilson, and contributed little towards the contest.

Neilson was stopped last time out and five months earlier, and was able to hit his man at will without danger of retaliation. Boswell was decked by a right hand, and not fighting back when it was stopped.

Unbeaten Dave Green, Chatteris, 142¾, outscored Angus McMillan, 140½, over eight twos by 80-77. McMillan boxed well, but Green just kept on coming, and was obviously the harder puncher.

Albert Hillman, Orpington, 152, outpointed Roy Commosioung, Luton, 152, over six by 59½-58½.

National Sporting Club, London — In a final eliminator for the British welterweight crown Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 146, stopped Jeff Gale, Leeds, 145¼, the referee intervening in the eleventh, after Gale had been decked for seven.

Thomas looked far too good for his plucky opponent, and every time he put on the pressure Gale was in trouble.

But Thomas was always in control, and at the end of the tenth, a bad round for Gale, referee Sid Nathan went over to the latter's corner to enquire if he wished to retire. But Gale gamely came up for the eleventh, only to be floored, and the fight halted.

Denton Ruddock, Camberwell, 194½, made a successful debut by outscoring Tony Blackburn, Tonyrefail, 193½, over six by 59½-58½. Jamaican Ruddock punched too hard for Blackburn, and although Tony did his best to retaliate, Ruddock proved too strong.

Dill Collins, Llantwit Major, 136, another debutant, comfortably outpointed Steve Gaze, 133, Bournemouth, over six.

New Century Hall, Manchester — Ralph Green, Manchester, 176, outpointed Harry White, 176¾, over eight by 79-78. At the half-way stage it looked as if White were heading for victory, but Green showed commendable gameness in rallying, and White tired in the last two rounds.

Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 175, outscored Pat Thompson, Liverpool, 176, by 78½-78 over eight.

Wayne Evans, Waterlooville, 118, stopped Dave Connell, Manchester, 121, in the sixth and final session. Connell had been decked twice.

Carlton Lyons, Manchester, 151, beat Yotham Kunda, Swansea, 148, the latter retiring in the third with an injured ankle after he had been floored for seven.

Dave Massey, Manchester, 140, made amends for a previous defeat by outscoring Barton McAllister, Clapham, 138, over six.

Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham — In only his second pro fight Kirkland Laing, Nottingham, 154½, impressed in beating the more experienced Liam White, Wells, 155, gaining an easy 80-76 points win over eight.

Laing, who holds an amateur victory over Vernon Sollas, showed a good variety of punches, and kept cool against an opponent who never gave up trying.

Nicky Bevan, Kettering, 143¾, outscored Dave Massey, Manchester, 143, over six.

Billy Graham, Manchester, 146, beat Barton McAllister, Clapham, 141, who retired at the end of the fourth with a cut by the left eye.

Ray Fallone, Battersea, 141½, was outpointed by Kevin Evans, Hemel Hempstead, 135, over six, but was happy in that it was the 99th bout of his career.

Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool — Top-liner in the JNF Charity Show saw George Turpin, Liverpool, 123¾, keep his unbeaten certificate by outpointing Clive Hogben, Kettering, 121, over eight.

Hogben got his second wind in the fourth and fifth, with Turpin finishing strongly and shaking his man with a couple of hard lefts in the seventh.

Joe Lally, Liverpool, 161, kayoed Joe Gregory, Mitcham, 161, in three.

Danny Fearon, Bootle, 138, beat Kevin Quinn, Manchester, 136, the bout being stopped at the end of the fourth when Quinn's right eye was practically closed.

20th Century Sporting Club — Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 151, outpointed Yotham Kunda, Zambia, 148, by 79½-78½ over eight.

Both tried hard to make a fight of it, but very little positive work was done. Simpson got himself in front with more accurate punching, but couldn't keep it up, and Kunda put in a storming finish.

Mick Hussey, Islington, 162, stopped Kevin Paddock, Southampton, 160, in the seventh, the referee intervening after Paddock has been floored.

Mick Hinton, Penge, 146½, outscored Peter Blake, Southend, 149, over eight.

Joe Hannaford, Shrewsbury, 159, kayoed Mick Lock, Croydon, 160, in two with a left uppercut.

Peter Baker, Southend, 157, comfortably outscored Joey Gammon, Shoreditch, 161, over six.

Yorkshire Executive Club, Bradford — Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, 185, outpointed Lloyd Walford, Jamaica, 189, by 79-77½ over eight.

Things didn't go Walford's way. In the third he was injured by the right eye, which prompted the referee to inspect it on two occasions. Then in the fifth he was decked by a left to the chin.

Fine debut by former amateur international Carlton Lyons, Manchester, 154, who outscored Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 156, over six.

Jim Moore, Bradford, 150, gained a six-rounds points win over Terry Schofield, Shildon, 149.

Jim Corrigan, Doncaster, 150, outscored Dennis Harbon, Bradford, 151, over six.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, London — British heavyweight champion Bunny Johnson, 188, beat American Obie English, 210, the referee intervening near the end of the third round when English was cut over the left eye.

English threw plenty of leather at the start, some cuffs, some off-target, few being accurate punches to the target area. Johnson looked a dwarf in comparison.

But Bunny bided his time, produced some neat counterpunching, kept his left jab working, and his adroit footwork caused English to go to the canvas in the second round after the latter had missed with a right hand.

Johnson was the first to be cut, but it was only a slight nick by the left eye towards the end of the round, and the third proved to be the last. Bunny was quickly into action, punching faster and really shaking his opponent with the speed and force of his blows.

The American alleged it was Johnson's head that caused the cut, but Bunny and many ringsiders confirmed that it was a punch.

Dave Green, Chatteris, 144¼, kayoed Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 148, in three.

Debutant Isaac Hussein, Streatham, 192½, comfortably outscored Dave Parris, Tottenham, 190½, over six.

Lloyd Gardner, Acton, 164½, outpointed debutant Boyd Farrar, Hayes, 164½, over six.

Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull — A change of manager sometimes brings a change of luck. It has certainly happened to Richard Dunn, who has been signed by veteran George Biddles, the man who guided Hogan Kid Bassey.

Dunn, Bradford, 208, avenged a previous one-round knockout defeat by stopping Rocky Campbell, West Indian living in Leicester, 201, in the seventh.

Henry Rhiney, Luton, 150, beat Kevin White, Wells, 150, who retired at the end of the sixth with a cut over the left eye.

Pat Thompson, Liverpool, 184, outscored Steve Foley, 184¼, Bedford, over eight.

Jeff Pritchard, New Tredegar, 126½, made it five in a row by outpointing Billy Smart, Corby, 127¾, over eight.

Frankie Wagstaff, Bedford, 126, again outpointed Ginger Bell, Lewisham, 129, over six.

National Sporting Club, London — Terry Peterson, Leeds, 141, easily outscored Hughie Clark, Battersea, 143¼, by 80-77 over eight.

Ian Pickersgill, Doncaster, 138, outpointed John Sagar, Barnsley, 139½, over six.

Lakeside Country Club, Camberley — Henry Rhiney, Luton, 150¾, and Trevor Francis, Basingstoke, 151, must know each other pretty well now, for their third meeting ended in a draw.

Never much between them, although in the opening round it looked as if we might get a sensational finish. Rhiney was tagged with a Francis right that shook him to the very foundations.

However, he kept his feet, and by means of good defensive work, managed to clear his senses, and from then on it was even.

Colin Davies, Aberfan, 158¼, outpointed Tim McHugh, 155, Birkenhead, over eight.

Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 197½, kayoed Sid Paddock, Southampton, 198, in the seventh.

Debutant Rocky Mundy, Notting Hill, 144¾, started well to outscore Malcolm Howard, Southampton, 149¾, over six.

World Sporting Club, London — George Turpin, Liverpool, 127½, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Bingo Crooks, Wolverhampton, 127½, over eight by 79½-78½.

A good performance by Turpin, who has now moved into the featherweight division.

This was mostly a long-range affair, both men exploiting good left leads. Turpin did his best to force the pace, with Crooks countering, and it was George's aggression that won him the verdict.

Tommy Dunn, Reading, 136½, comfortably outpointed Young Silky, Leeds, 137, over eight.

Noel McIvor, Luton, 138½, outscored substitute Ray Holdcroft, Stoke, 136½, over eight.

Colin Davies, Aberfan, 164, gained an eight-rounds points win over Batman Austin, Tottenham, 163.

Golden Gloves Sporting Club, Blackpool — Many disagreed with the verdict that gave Steve Hill, Blackpool, 171½, a points win over Tony Allen, Birmingham, 172, scoreline 79½-78½.

Allen showed skill in evading his opponent's leads, and occasionally came in to the attack, and looked good doing so. But the busier man landed the more scoring punches in a bout that had its moments of "needle," Allen being warned for misuse of the head in the third, and being cut by the right eye in the closing moments.

Dennis Harbon, Bradford, 150, drew with Terry Schofield, Leeds, 149, over six.

Substitute Jim Moore, Bradford, 151, outscored Jim Corrigan, Doncaster, 150¾, over six.

Roger Aldis, Doncaster, 140, outpointed Dave Massey, Manchester, 141, over six.

Digbeth Civic Hall — Former British welter champ Bobby Arthur, Coventry, 151½, repeated a previous win over John Smith, Glasgow, 152, outscoring him by 79½-78½ over eight.

It was boxer vs. fighter, with Arthur jabbing well and moving quickly. Smith kept on the attack, and his right hand carried plenty of power. Yet in spite of a fine rally in the closing rounds Smith was being caught with enough left jabs to seal it up.

Brian Huckfield, Warley, 191½, made a fine debut by kayoing Barry Clough, Stoke, 188½, in the fourth.

Achille Mitchell, Coventry, 146½, also a debutant, stopped Alan Cable, Croydon, 146, in the fifth.

Billy Baggott, Birmingham, outpointed Len Britton, Doncaster, over six.

Derek Simpkin, Swadlincote, 196, outscored John Depledge, Leeds, 208, over six.

St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow — Alan Buchanan, Edinburgh, 125¼, successfully defended his Scottish featherweight title, challenger John Mitchell, Kirkcaldy, 122, retiring at the end of the eighth.

Another boxer who had been inactive, this time for over 12 months, was Charlie Parvin, Wishaw, 122, who impressed in stopping Tony Kerr, Aberdeen, 120, the referee intervening in the fifth.

Hugh Smith, Chapelhall, 140, stopped John Sagar, Barnsley, 142, in the third.

Rab Affleck, Irvine, 177, beat Steve Walker, Birmingham, 171, for the second time, on this occasion a points win over six.

Ulster Hall, Belfast — Sean "Jumbo" McKenna, Downpatrick, 209, became the first Northern Ireland heaveyweight champion for eight years when he kayoed the previously unbeaten Des Reynolds, Belfast, 207, in three.

Henry Turkington, Doagh, 157, stopped Carl McCarthy, Belfast, 160, early in the third.

Martin Quinn, Belfast, 141, was floored twice, once in the fourth and once in the fifth, but was game enough to get up and stop Derek (brother of Carl) McCarthy, Belfast, 143, in the sixth.

Ray Ross, Ardglass, 134, stopped Benny Purdy, 134, 5th.

STERLING BEAT HOPE IN BRITISH MIDDLE TITLE

National Sporting Club, London — British middleweight title, left vacant when Kevin Finnegan gave it up, was won by former holder Bunny Sterling, Jamaican-born and London based. Sterling had little difficulty in beating British light-middleweight champion Maurice Hope, Antigua, referee Roland Dakin stopping the fight near the end of the eighth round when Hope was being freely punished.

ACTION IN EUROPE

By JACK A. TREE

UDELLA AND CHERVET BOTH DISQUALIFIED IN TITLE BATTLE

Franco Udella (right) in training prior to his controversial fight with Fritz Chervet, in which both boxers were disqualified.

ZURICH Switzerland. In the Hallen Stadium, referee Angel Ezquerra of Spain, saw fit to disqualify both Franco Udella, Italy, and Fritz Chervet, Switzerland, for constantly violating the rules.

Udella was defending his European flyweight crown against the Swiss boxer. The EBU are most certain to call an inquiry. In round two 32-year-old Chervet decked Udella for a count of eight with a right. Udella fought back and sent Chervet to the canvas with punches to the head.

Chervet came back strongly and it was his turn to drop Udella but instead of going to a neutral corner he continued to attack the champion.

Udella then put the challenger to the floor with a left followed by a right and he also threw punches at his opponent who was sitting on his pants. Spectators threw bottles and chairs at the ring and tried to attack the third man, who was hustled away to safety by the police.

From nearly 800 European title contests to date, 35 have ended with a boxer being disqualified.

The past previous bout to end in a disqualification was on November 15, 1972, when Carlos Duran, Italy, fought Frenchman Jacques Kechichian at Schio the latter being disqualified in round fourteen. The only other flyweight title fight to end in a disqualification was on 19th September 1932 when Jackie Brown met fellow countryman, Jim Marharg, the latter being disqualified in round eight.

Dutch manager Henk Ruhling, has signed up the 1974 amateur junior middleweight champion, Guus Bleus, and also the 1975 champion, Adri Huussen.

Only two west Europeans reached the finals of the European amateur boxing championships staged at Kattowitz in Poland.

They were Kalevi Marjaama, Finland, who beat Victor Zilberman, Rumania, to win the welterweight title, and Enrico Rodriguez, Spain, who lost (5-0) to Russian Alexander Tatschenko in the junior flyweight final.

Of the leven golds, Russia won six, junior fly, Alexander Tatschenko, fly Vladislav Zasypko, bantam, Victor Rybakow, junior welter, Waleri Limasow, middle, Wyatscheslaw Lemechen and light heavy, Anatoly Klimanow. Poland won two, junior middle, Wieslaw Rudkowsky and heavyweight, Andrezej Biegalski.

Hungary won one gold, featherweight, Tobor Badari, and Finland, one with Kalevi Marjaama.

England came hòme with three bronze medals with flyweight Charlie Magri, featherweight Patrick Cowdell and heavyweight Garfield McEwen. Countries which returned empty handed were Belgium, Ireland, Scotland, West Germany, Wales, Sweden, France, Italy, Turkey and Greece.

Ex-heavyweight champion of Germany, Harmut Sasse, travelled to Britain to face Danny McAlinden, and was beaten in five rounds. 62-year-old Richard Vogt, German light heavyweight champion 1949 and 1950, who also won a silver medal at the Berlin Olympics 1936, is recovering from an operation.

German stars, some of the few remaining, fell like nine pins against opposition from a broad on a fight card in Hamburg. Middleweight champion Frank Reiche, was halted by Britain, Larry Paul, in five, junior middleweight champion Peter Wulf, was kayoed by Britain, Alan Minter, in five, Ali Nsubuga, Uganda, outscored German, Peter Voss and the talented 19-year-old Frank Wissenbach, was kayoed by fellow German, former junior middleweight champion, Peter Scheibner, in two heats.

Avenamar Peralta, Argentine, who German promoters have been using to top their fight cards up and down the country, was also beaten on this Hamburg programme. He was kayoed by American Tom Bethea, in the third round.

GERMANY

▲**Hamburg:** Light heavyweight Tom Bethea, USA, beat Avenamar Peralta, Argentine, KO3. Larry Paul, Britain, beat German middleweight champion, Frank Reiche, in five rounds. Alan Minter, Britain, beat German junior middleweight champion, Peter Wulf, KO6. Junior middleweight Ali Nsubuga, Uganda, outscored Jurgen Voss, Germany, 4 rounds. Former junior middleweight champion of Germany, Peter Scheibner, kayoed fellow countryman, Frank Wissenbach, in two rounds.

▲**Ludwigshafen:** German light heavyweight champion, Leo Kakolewicz held on to his title, beating Karsten Honold, KO8. German heavyweight champion, Bernd August, beat Kilani Romandi, KO2. Middleweight Wolfgang Gans, Germany, beat Arpad Majai, Hungary, KO2. Heavyweight Charlie Graf, Germany, beat Dane, Fleming Jensen, KO3. Heavyweight Ngozika Erwelum, Nigeria, drew with American, Ray Anderson, over eight rounds.

▲**Cologne:** Middleweight Rene Zeller, Germany, WKO1 Gilbert Cnuddle, Belgium. Junior middleweight Horst Brinkmeier, Germany, outpointed Burham Yesilbag, Turkey, six. Lightweight Ethem Ozakalin, Turkey, outscored Guiseppe Piras, Italy, four. Junior middleweight Franz Csandl, Austria, decisioned Eddie Perkins, eight rounds. Welterweight Cemal Kamaci, Turkey, beat Enzo Pizzoni, Italy, TKO6.

FRANCE

▲**Grenoble:** Junior welterweight Gilbert Orsaldo beat Jean Claude Vanderbreght, TKO5.

▲**Voiron:** Bantamweight. Daniel Charvet decisioned Christian Martin, eight.

▲**Toulon:** Welterweight. Alain Ruocco outscored Pietro Gaspari, ten.

▲**St. Malo:** Featherweight. Jacky Robert outpointed Jean Claude Sidor, six.

▲**Bayonne:** Lightweight. Mario Oliveira beat Paul Rourre, TKO6.

▲**Fourmies:** Middleweight. Lionel Lagasse beat Giovanni Dewitta, TKO2.

▲**Guincamp:** Light heavyweight. Bele Mukeba Apoloza beat Serge Jagot, TKO1.

▲**Carvin:** Lightweight. Rene Van Lerreweghe outscored Luigi Renda, six.

▲**Senis:** Junior middleweight. Robert Mathieu outpointed Pierre Lefebvre, six.

▲**Metz:** Middleweight. Daniel Martin decisioned Oscar Ilunga, ten. Lightweight. Ali Messaoud outscored Christian Hardelin, eight. Welterweight. Jacky Peraire outpointed Jean Pierre Moreau, six.

▲**Nevers:** Welterweight. Christian Lancery and Andre Camonin drew a six rounder.

▲**Joue les Tours:** Junior lightweight. Ray Libbrecht beat Michel Lecerf, TKO5.

▲**Boulogne:** Middleweight. Rene Martin beat Francois Sissaoui, TKO2. Featherweight. Alain Lefol decisioned Ali Issaoui, six.

▲**Tourcoing:** Junior middleweight. Francis Vermandere outscored Gerard Breton, eight.

▲**Lens:** Featherweight. Guy Caudron beat Luigi Tessarin, TKO4. Georges Fontaine beat Isidoro LaBarbera, TKO6.

▲**St. Nazaire:** Featherweight. Guy Caudron beat Ernesto Miranda, TKO10. Junior lightweight. Roland Cazeaux and Mario Oliveira drew their eight rounder.

▲**Rosendael:** Lightweight. Jean Claude Sider beat Jean Claude Vanderbreght, TKO1.

▲**Paris:** Middleweight. Phillipe Jacques, France, drew eight rounds with Britain, Carl Speare. The Britain was declared the winner but the verdict was changed when a mistake was found on one of the officials scorecard.

▲**Cali:** WBC champion, Rodrigo Valdes, retained his middleweight crown beating Ramon Mendez, Argentine, TKO8.

▲**Wagram:** Jean Claude Warusel retained his French junior middleweight title drawing with southpaw, Gerard Nosley, over twelve rounds.

▲**Annecy:** Jean Baptiste Piedwache, France, undefeated in over 30 fights, was surprisingly outscored by Saadi Saadli, over ten rounds.

ITALY

▲**Faenza:** Middleweight. Ugo Santandrea outscored Raffaele Cotugno, six.

▲**Camisano:** Bantamweight. Gianni Garbo outscored Giovanni Mura, eight.

▲**Milan:** Junior welterweight. Giuseppe Russi beat Antonio Benz, TKO4. Middleweight. Guiseppe Borghi outscored Claude Moretti, six.

▲**Naples:** Domenico DiJorio decisioned Dum Dum Pacheco, eight.

▲**Milan:** Middleweight. Roberto Benaquista outscored Luis Vinales, eight. Welterweight. Giuseppe Martinese beat Adrieno Rosate, TKO5. Mario Calzone outscored Ali Kaja, six.

▲**Monfalcone:** Welterweight. Paolo Zanusso decisioned Augusto Lauri, eight.

▲**Monturano:** Middleweight. Osvaldo Smerilli decisioned Lorenzo Nardillo, eight.

▲**Naples:** Junior welterweight. Ernesto Bergamesco beat Guiseppe Carbonara, TKO4. Welterweight. Domenico DiJorio outscored Guido Luttazzi, six.

▲**Brescia:** Junior lightweight. Natale Vezzoli decisioned Giuseppe Martucci, eight. Middleweight. Elia Bettinzoli outscored Walter Guernieri, eight.

▲**Pordenone:** Light heavyweight. Onelio Grando beat Giancarlo diManno who was disqualified in round four.

▲**Milan:** Junior welterweight. Everaldo Costa Azevedo beat Nicola Sassanelli, TKO6. Antonio Chiodoni outpointed Nicola D'Orazio, eight. Bantamweight. Helenio Ferreira beat Achene Saifiret, eight. Featherweight. Dante Guarnieri and Paul Ikumpayi drew their eight rounder.

▲**Sassiri:** Lightweight. Biancarlo Usai decisioned Giuseppe Minotti, eight. Alfonso Bonavita drew with Giovanni Mannu, six.

▲**Livorno:** Junior lightweight. Giuliano Lonzi decisioned Marco Zanetti, six.

▲**Genoa:** Welterweight. Bruno Arcari beat Gaeten Hart, KO1. Light heavyweight. Aldo Traversaro decisioned Frankie Evans, eight. Junior welterweight. Giampiero Mereu outpointed Giovanni Lamusta, six.

▲**Monte Carlo:** Lightweight. Daniel Bellantonio outscored Raymond Dauteuille, six. Featherweight. Gaby Lamperti outscored Mouldi Manay, six. Junior middleweight. Chedli Tebourski outpointed Robert Mathieu, six.

▲**Milan:** Welterweight. Rocky Mattioli beat Chris Fernandez, KO4. Mimoun Mohatar outscored Eddie Blay, eight. Junior light. Jose Sanchez and Biaggio Pierre drew their eight rounder. Lightweight. Aristide Pizzo beat Valerio Fretta, TKO1.

BELGIUM

▲**Ostend:** Heavyweight. Fernand de Ruyter outscored Sjoerd Tuininga, six. Lightweight. Messaoud Bouachiba beat Franz Meganck, TKO5.

▲**Bonsecours:** Middleweight. Giovanni de Vita outscored Fernand Banckaert, six.

▲**Grivegnee:** Middleweight. Melvin Dennis, USA, outscored Alfredo Naveiras, ten. Welterweight. Jean Simos outpointed Pietro Gasparri, ten. Fredo Roelandt decisioned Sugar Ray, eight. Junior lightweight. Antoine LaSala outpointed Messaoud Bouachiba, six.

NORWAY

▲**Oslo:** European light heavyweight challenger, Harold Skog, Norway, kayoed AMERICAN, John Griffin, with a right to the jaw in round five. Skog gave his purse money to the Norwegian blind fund. Junior welterweight. Kristian Hoydahl, Norway, outscored Piero Ceru, Italy, eight. Hoydahl took a count of nine in round one. Heavyweight. Bjorn Rudi, Norway, outscored Vasco Faustinho over eight rounds. Lightweight. Jan Arne Pedersen making his first appearance as a professional, outscored Klaus Jacoby, four rounds. Junior lightweight. Sven Erik Paulsen, boxed an exhibition with Santino Reali, eight.

SWITZERLAND

▲**Frauefeld:** Flyweight. Fritz Chervet outpointed Antonio Franca, Brazil, TKO8.

▲**Zurich:** Franco Udella, Italy, and Fritz Chervet, were both disqualified in round two in their fight for Udella's European flyweight title.

SPAIN

▲**Santa Cruz:** Moises Fajardo held on to his Spanish junior middleweight title beating Alfonso Fernandez, TKO9. Heavyweight. Fermin beat Joa Tarzan, TKO4.

▲**Amería:** Jose Antonio Galvaz decisioned ex European heavyweight champion, Jose Urtain, eight.

LUXEMBOURG

Welterweight. Clemente Tshinza beat Jacques van Mellaerts, TKO5.

AUSTRIA

▲**Vienna:** Junior welterweight. Andre Holyk outscored Esperno Postl, ten. Junior middleweight. Joe Pachler outpointed Burhan Yesilbag, eight. Welterweight. Klaus Fuchs beat Franz Hohl, TKO2. Lightweight. Herbert Trausmuth and Giampaolo Piras drew a six rounder. Stefan Kobli outscored Bong Hu Park, six.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

(As of August 15th 1975)

Heavyweights
* Joe Bugner (GB)
1. Jean Pierre Coopman (B)
2. Lorenzo Zanon (I)
3. Bernd August (G)
4. Dante Cane (I)
5. Bepi Ros (I)
6. Rudi Lubbers (H)
7. Jan Lubbers (H)
8. Mario Baruzzi (I)
9. Jose Antonio Galvez (S)
10. Bjorn Rudi (N)

Light heavies
* Domenico Adinolfi (I)
1. Aldo Traversaro (I)
2. Harold Skog (N)
3. Freddie DeKerpel (B)
4. Leo Kakolewicz (G)
5. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
6. Christian Poncelet (F)
7. Yannick Dufour (F)
8. Eric Nussbaum (Switz)
9. Karl Heinz Klein (G)
10. Sergio Janilli (I)

Middleweights
* Gratien Tonna (F)
1. Max Cohen (F)
2. Jean Mateo (F)
3. Franz Csandl (A)
4. Frank Reiche (G)
5. Luxiano Sarti (I)
6. Jose Hernandez (S)
7. Mimoun Mohatar (S)
8. Roberto Benacquista (I)
9. Poul Knudsen (D)
10. Germano Valsecchi (I)

Junior middles
Jose Duran (S)
1. Eckhard Dagge (G)
2. Antonio Castellini (I)
3. Jean Claude Warusfel (F)
4. Damiano Lassandro (I)
5. Aldo Bentini (I)
6. Moises Fajardo (S)
7. Angelo Jacopacci (I)
8. Dum Dum Pacheco (S)
9. Joel Bonnetaz (F)
10. Alberto Torri (I)

Welterweights
* John H Starcey (GB)
1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Germain Lemaitre (F)
3. Domenico DiJorio (I)
4. Marco Scano (I)
5. Jörgen Hansen (D)
6. Jesus Gonzalez Dopico (S)
7. Giovanni Molesini (I)
8. Jacques van Mellaerts (F)
9. Yves Lefferand (F)
10. Georges Warusfel (F)

Junior welterweights
* Jose Ramon Gomez Fouz (S)
1. Perico Fernandez (S)
2. Toni Ortiz (S)
3. Romano Fanali (I)
4. Bruno Freschi (I)
5. Jose Rodriguez (S)
6. Ernesto Bergamesco (I)
7. Cemal Kamaci (T)
8. Kristian Hoydahl (N)
9. Efisio Pinna (I)
10. Roger Zami (F)

Lightweights
* Ken Buchanan (GB)
1. Giancarlo Usai (I)
2. Miguel Velasquez (S)
3. Jean Baptiste Piedvache (F)
4. Andre Holyk (F)
5. Enzo Pizzoni (I)
6. Vincenzo Quero (I)
7. Ugo Poli (I)
8. Ugo Di Pietro (I)
9. Jeronimo Lucas (S)
10. Giuseppe Russi (I)

Junior Lights
* Sven Erick Paulsen (N)
1. Antonio Puddu (I)
2. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
3. Lothar Abend (G)
4. Erik Nikkinen (Fin)
5. Giuseppe Mura (I)
6. Mario Redi (I)
7. Rudi Haeck (B)
8. Natale Vezzoli (I)
9. Enzo Farinelli (I)
10. Franco Diana (I)

Featherweights
* Elio Cotena (I)
1. Gitano Jiminez (S)
2. Micheal Siracusa (I)
3. Ramon Garcia Marichal (S)
4. Michel Lefevbre (F)
5. Manuel Masso (S)
6. Guy Caudron (F)
7. Isidor Cabeza (S)
8. Nino Jiminez (S)
9. Antonio Guinaldo (S)
10. Guiliana Lai (I)

Bantamweights
* Daniel Triolaire (F)
1. Franco Zurlo (I)
2. Bob Allotey (S)
3. Ambrogio Mariani (I)
4. Luigi Tessarin (I)
5. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
6. Lucio Vailati (I)
7. Gianni Carbo (I)
8. Ferdinando Ripamonti (I)
9. Jacky Bihin (F)
10. Jose Luis Otero (S)

Flyweights
* Franco Udella (I)
1. Franco Sperati (I)
2. Fritz Cervet (Switz)
3. Franco Buglione (I)
4. Emilio Pireddu (I)
5. Dominique Cesari (F)
6. Pedro Molledo (S)
7. Christian Martin (F)
8. Altero Marini (I)
9. Salvatore Laconi (I)
10. Angelo Spano (I)

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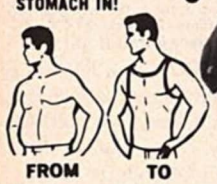

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RINGSIDE WITH DON SAUER

(Continued from page 46)

FOREMAN circus in Toronto, suffered another embarrassment and loss of prestige by ALI'S desultory performance against LYLE. . . .middleweight socker, JEAN MATEO, the "Punching Basque"., is back in France for the summer hoping to build up his ring record.

Not only does PAT O'GRADY do a great job keeping boxing alive in Oklahoma and other mid-west cities, but now he has his son, SEAN headlining many of his shows, and coming home a winner at that. . . .The latest ratings by the World Boxing Association dropped JOSE NAPOLES as the welterweight, giving as their reason, "because he thinks that the World Boxing Council is the only rating board in the World" . . . now I don't know if that will stick or not—what's the rift with the W.B.A. and NAPOLES. . ? ?

JOSE PETERSON got himself a nice win over former rated JIMMY HEAIR, then he took a match with lightweight champ, ROBERTO CURAN, over the weight—and was destroyed in less than a round . . . not very good planning.

Has DENNY MOYER finally deserted the ring beat for good? ? ? ? JOHN COILEY, who at one time was considered one of the better ring prospects in New England, is on the comeback trail, boxing for FRED WALLACE in Seattle. COILEY was stopped by MIKE LANKESTER a fighter schooled by the learned ANGELO DUNDEE and managed by JOE TORO— . . . when MIKE NIXON returned to his native, Binghamton, N.Y., he came home a big winner over MIKE ROSSMAN—and now his manager MEL EPSTEIN is so happy, he wants a shot at the world title . . . but beating a MIKE ROSSMAN and talking of a world title fight—is entirely something else . . .

EMILE GRIFFITH has been around the fight game for 17 years, and still gives a good account of himself wherever he displays his wares, EMILE is a congenial chap, one of the nicest guys I have met in this business, and is certainly a credit to boxing . . . always in shape . . . and always goes the distance. . . .great guy . . . Too many writers, too often are ready to mention about the boxers in the game with jail records—but never mention about the guys who are on the "straight and narrow" in boxing—well HOWARD "KAYO" SMITH, the California State heavyweight king is one of these guys—he ran the 440 in 48.2 and the 100 yard dash in 10.1 when he attended Centennial High School in California—and at Compton Junior College he played football as a defensive end . . . he works daily as a fork-lift operator . . . he is respected in his community and he has never been in jail . . . now you know . . . ! !

SAM SILVERMAN is running monthly shows at the spacious Brockton, Mass., high school gym., but is not drawing well, even with the "local talent" he is developing . . . maybe if he moved up the road to the old Roseland Ballroom, Taunton, Mass., a former real temple of swat, he would do much better . . . and the rent would be cheaper . . . ever think of that SAM ? ? ? ? ?

JOE LOUIS has renewed his contract putting his name on those whiskey advertisements—JOE can always use the money—what a shame for a guy who gave so much to the fight game . . . .Former great lightweight, JIMMY PERRIN is with the New Orleans Police Dept., and is also a member of the Louisiana Athletic Commission. . . .when residing in his native Nova Scotia, ART HAFEY, top ranked featherweight contender boxing in California rings, toiled as a hospital orderly—and believe it or not, when he's not fighting, he is a horticulturist—! ! Thanks for the news—and the photo, ART . . . and BURKE EMERY who is his trainer on the coast. . . .VITO TALLARITA continues to matchmake for clubs all over the State of Connecticut . . . where former middleweight contender and TV star of the fifties, CHICO VEJAR is executive secretary for the State Boxing Commission. . . .a fine young fistic product is IRISH BOB STEWART, who is managed by the knowledgeable CUS D'AMATO and MATT BARANSKI. . . . There was a time not too long ago when veteran N.Y.C. fight manager, AL BACHMAN told me he might sell out his printing business and move to New Hampshire . . . but now his business has picked up and AL figures to stay "in Fun City" for a while longer.

I still can't get over BARON HENRY von STUMME, still active in boxing after over 60 years in the game . . . his latest fighter—now retired was RAY "WINDMILL" WHITE who was quite a guy—you never knew what to expect when RAY was in a square circle. . . .now that ABE GREEN has stepped down as "commissioner" in New Jersey don't be too surprised if former heavyweight champ, JERSEY JOE WALCOTT is appointed to that billet. . . .

NORWAY'S SKOG BEATS AMERICAN GRIFFIN IN 5

By BRINK HALVER-STRAND

Oslo, Norway — What many Norwegians call "Cirkus Skog" reached another stage when 25-year-old light heavyweight Harald Skog kayoed American John Griffin in front of a crowd of 3000 at Jordal Amfi hockey stadium in Oslo. Griffin, a 42-hour substitute for Eddie Duncan, seemed shocked when he realized the power of Skog's clean right hand punch.

Griffin held the fight even for three rounds. The Norwegian had difficulties in blocking his fast left jabs. Skog, making only his 13th fight, lost the rest of his respect in the third and in the fourth he tried to make Griffin lose his temper. The American already had got "good advice" from German referee Herbert Thomser to keep his body up.

The referee, however, forgot that Skog was hanging on every time he had a chance. Griffin waved Thomser aside while Skog shook his head, pointed at the American and smiled. Inside Skog kept quite calm. He had connected with his right hand in the third, and he waited for another chance.

Tall Skog (6 ft 4) is now ready for a crack at the European title of Italian Domenico Adinolfi, and matchmaker Mogens Palle is trying to get Argentine's WBA champ, Victor Garindet to Oslo for a title fight.

EZZARD CHARLES WORLD CHAMPION AND GENTLEMAN DIES AT EARLY AGE OF 54

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on the action. He had real expertise, never was guilty of dirty tactics and never was involved in even a whisper of shady connections.

CANTO GETS VERDICT

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sults of the night's program produced losses up to, approximately, one million and a half mexican pesos (about 125 thousand dollars). The Monumental Plaza, with boxing capacity up to 16,000 people, registered less than half.

The champion drew $40,000 for this first title defense. Gonzalez was to receive his earnings according to what Mr. Cedeno made, because he was a partner of the promotion.

After the fight, Betulio Gonzalez tried to hit professor Ramon G. Velazquez, president of the World Boxing Council. Many people still remembered that Gonzalez adopted the same attitude when he lost the title from Shoji Oguma, in Tokyo, toward the end of last year. Mr. Guerra, the Commissioner, fined Gonzalez 25 thousand pesos (two thousand dollars) because of that attitude lacking good sense and sportsmanship.

Miguel Canto, the first Mexican boxer from the State of Yucatan to hold a world championship, told us in his dressing room that the toughest fight that he has had in his career, up to now, was with Dominican Ignacio Espinal.

Canto also confirmed too that he will be in boxing for only one more year and then retire to take care of his restaurant "Los Venados" (The Deers) and a hotel which he is now building in the new and beautiful tourist center of the Yucatan Penninsula called Can Cun, in the neighboring State of Quintana Roo.

His manager, Jesus "Cholain" Rivero, comments that "Canto will soon have a good capital in the Bank and will not need to continue in the rings. From now on, Miguel will draw salaries from a million pesos on up. His decision to leave boxing at this stage, very soon, show us once again that he is a very intelligent boy. . ."

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PAULSEN AROUSED NORWAY TO HIGH FISTIC PITCH

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junior lightweights. He also can put a man down with a single punch — and, much like Foster, he is no real crowd pleaser. Nevertheless he has become almost a folk hero. There is a song about him by one of the most popular bands in Norway, and people like him because of his sympathetic manners.

Since Paulsen started fighting for money, professional boxing has flourished in Norway. Starting with about 2,500 spectators in 1972, this figure was more than doubled through 1974. A crowd of about 8,000 saw Svein Erik capture the European crown.

Some consider it a pity Paulsen didn't go for the professional titles some years earlier. He needs a couple of rounds to get the right speed and combinations. Paulsen is an intelligent fighter, and he likes to study his opponents.

The junior lightweight division is not the hardest on earth. However, the way Svein Erik Paulsen dominates the scene, it has become quite hard at least to win the European title. In less than seven months after he kayoed Abend, Svein Erik turned back two challengers, Italian champion Giovanni Girgenti and the Spaniard, Domingo Giminez.

After his points victory over Giminez in Oslo last February, Svein Erik wanted to go to Helsinki to defend against Erik Nikkinen of Finland. But this fight was not approved by the European Boxing Union, and Norwegian plans of three title fights in four months were dropped.

Jean Baptiste Piedvache of France was the official challenger when Paulsen gained the title, but Piedvache had to give up his plans of a title fight because of weight problems. After European lightweight champion Antonio Puddu lost his title to Ken Buchanan, the Sardinian moved down to the junior lightweight division, and the EBU made him the new challenger.

Paulsen's future plans include Puddu in Oslo and Japanese WBC junior lightweight champ Kuniaki Shibata. Norwegian promoter Erik Stenerud is working to get Shibata to Oslo. The Shibata camp, however, wants the fight in Tokyo, and there it is at the present time. Between fights Svein Erik lives in Trondheim, where he makes technical drawings for the Municipal Electricity Agency. He has a full time job, and from the money he has earned in the ring, Paulsen has built a fine house just outside the city. Here he lives with his wife, who sees him in nearly every fight, and their two daughters. No chance of a new fighting Paulsen in Norwegian rings.

READ THE RING

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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▲Los Angeles — The first meeting between Frankie Duarte of Los Angeles and Mexico City's Famosito Gomez caused a riot when Duarte was awarded a split decision.

The rematch failed to provide the sparks this time as the younger brother of Famoso Gomez was a clear-cut winner at the Olympic Auditorium.

For seven of the ten rounds, the 24-year-old from Mexico outsmarted and outmeaneuvered Duarte, who is just 20.

Famosito peppered Duarte with a lot of lefts and rights, but none seemed to carry any real power. Frankie just got muddled by Gomez's style.

Referee John Thomas voted for Gomez, 5-3; judge Vince Delgado, a newcomer to the officials ranks, went for Famosito, 6-4. Dick Young came up with a 5-5 draw.

Gomez weighed 120, Duarte, 118. The gate was $14,203. There was no television locally.

Alex Agosto, 130, Los Angeles, KO over Oscar Armas, 129½, Los Angeles, (2); Frankie Estrada, 120, East L.A., dec. over Lino Casillas, 120, Mexico, (5); Alfredo Gonzales, 146½, Los Angeles, KO over Warren Lee, 144½, So East L.A., (2).

▲San Diego — Rudy Hernandez, one of California's top prospects, continued in the unbeaten class with a 10-round win over well regarded Brooks Byrd, 138, El Paso.

Hernandez fine all-around boxing ability proved too much for Byrd to handle. However, the younster from Stanton (Orange Ct) did suffer a badly injured nose.

Eddie Murray, 136½, Chicago, dec. over Fernando Gil, 139, Los Angeles, (6); Marty Monroe, 196, Los Angeles, dec. over Dwain Bonds, 203½, San Diego, (5); Henry Washington, 199½, Los Angeles, KO over George Gray, 207, Phoenix, (5).

KNOCKOUTS GALORE IN RINGS ALL OVER MEXICO

By EDUARDO AMER

Monterrey, Nuevo Leon — Miguel Canto, 111, outboxed Betulio González, of Venezuela, and retained World flyweight title in 15 rounds. Jose Baquedano, 146, whipped Jose Luis Baltazar, 145, in 10. Jose Perez, 120, of Benezuela, TKO's Jesus "Chuy" Rocha, 119, in 9. Freddy Moran, 111, of Venezuela, TKO's Rosendo "Chamaco" Garcia, 111, in three. Jose Gallegos, 112, beat Luis Matta, 111, of Venezuela, in ten.

▲Tijuana, Baja California — Alfonso Zamora, 119, TKO's Jorge "Alacrancito" Torres, 119, in nine. Juan Zarate, 111, TKO'd Rafael Rubio, 112, in 5. Fernando Gomez, 120, defeated Artemio Geronimo, 117, in 10. Mario Mendez, 124, TKO'd Francisco Felix, 125, in 3. Victor "Zurdo" Cortes, 124, halted Salvador Flores, 125, in 3.

▲Merida, Yacatan — Orlando Amores, 118, of Panama, polished off Vicente Pool, 119, in only two rounds. Jose Baquedano, 143, and Gustavo Garcia, 145, fought a "No contest" bout, which ended in the sixth round. Adolfo Sanjeado, 134, KO'd Jose Angel Medina, 131, in two. Gonzalo "Zurdo" Gonzalez, 110, TKO'd Santos "Cora" Rodriguez, 110, in five. Wilbert Canche, 112, bested Jose Cabrera, 111, in six.

▲Ciudad Altamirano — Jose Gonzalez, 125, decisioned Pedro Rodriguez, 125, in ten.

▲Tijuana, Baja California — Valente Vera, 125, TKO'd Jose Pozos, 125, in four. Ernesto Garfias, 124, TKO'd Alejandro Perez, 124, in nine.

▲Jalapa, Vera Cruz — Fernando Gomez, 119, stopped Jose "Mulato" Lopez, 117, in 6.

▲Mexico, D. F. — Sigfrido Rodriguez, 130, TKO'd Alfonso Jimenez, 132, in 4. Ruben "Gato" Mancilla, 112, TKO'd Aureliano "Pulga" Sanchez, in eight.

▲Durango — Carlos Mimila, 125, bombed Jose Angel Hernandez, 125, in two. Manuel Baluarte, 120, iced Carlos Duarte, 121, in one.

▲Acapulco, Guerrero — Victor "Zurdo" Cortes, 127, KO'd Miguel Angel Portugal, 130, in 3. Juan Panchi, 133, and Jose Luis Garcia, 132, drew in ten. Leo Cisneros, 117, TKO'd Crescencio Santana, 117, in 7.

▲Guadalajara, Jalisco — Alfredo Garranza, 124, embalmed Francisco Cruz Landin, 124, in two. Jesus Ramirez, 126, TKO'd Nacho Cruz, 125, in the seventh round.

▲Mongerrey, Nuevo — Manuel "Loco" Torres, 145, kayoed Juan Jose Torres, 142, in 4. Tony Aranda, 134, nailed Francisco Quintas, 133, in 3.

▲Mexico, D. F. — Mario Chavez, 114, beat Catalino Flores, 113, of the Phillipines, in ten. Moises Sore, 150, TKO'd Othon Guzman, 148, in the tenth and last round. Ruben Garcia, 125, TKO'd David Muñoz, 126, in five.

▲Tijuana, Baja California — Saul Montana, 119, put Ad Zapanta, 118, of the Phillipines, in the very first round. Artemio Geronimo, 118, TKO'd Martin "Buchanan" Garcia, 117, in seven. Roberto Valenzuela, 111, stopped "Torito" Vazquez, 112, in 2.

▲Mexico, D. F. — Raul Tirado, 117, TKO'd Felipe "Loba" Gallegos, 117, in 4. Gallegos suffered a broken jaw. Alfredo Nuñez, 132, and Andres Lobera, 134, drew in 8. Jesus Martinez, 144, TKO'd Boni Santibañez, 145, in 3.

▲Ciudad Mante, Tamaulipas — Aurelio Muñiz, 133, whipped Jose Angel Herrera, 134, in 10. Eleazar Rivas, 129, bested Emilio Ornelas, 128, in ten.

▲Campeche — Humberto Lara, 117, TKO'd Kid Arroz, 119, in 6. Jorge Pertela, 121, TKO'd Manuel Rodriguez, 122, in 7. David Barrera, 111, outscored Manuel Cruz, 110, in 6. "Conejo" Briceño, 109, and Victor Salas, 110, drew in 4. Baby Valdez, 110, decisioned Chamaco Santana, 111, in four.

▲Monterrey, Nuevo Leon — Ernesto Herrera, 125, demolished Ismael Gallegos, 125, in seven, and retained featherweight championship of Nuevo Leon State. Arturo Rodriguez, 134, TKO'd Jose Martinez, 134, in 7. Jose Elias Alcocer, 125, TKO'd Roberto Quintanilla, 126, in two. Francisco Cruz, 124, TKO'd Manuel Rendon, 123, in 4. Esteban Frago, 139, TKO'd Jorge Garza, 140, in 3.

▲Apatzingan, Michoacan — Jose Figueroa, 146, kayoed Armando "Aleman" Alatorre, 145, in six.

▲Tijuana, Baja California — Martin Corona, 119, KO'd Memin Becerra, 118, in 9. Ernesto Garfias, 124, flattened Memo Salazar, 125, in 1.

▲Reynosa, Tamaulipas — Roberto "Kid" Ruvaldino, 118, outpointed Magallo Lozada, 118, in ten. "Torito" Melendez, 112, knocked out Lupe Cespedes, 112, in two.

▲Ciudad Obregon, Sonora — Rosalio Muro, 125, TKO'd Sanyo Takemori, 125, of Japan, in 6. Hector Medina, 119, bested Yoshiro Schkanoi, 119, of Japan, in ten.

▲Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas — Constancio "Rocky" Garcia, 117, TKO'd Adrian Talan Moncebaez, 118, in nine. "Chico" Garcia, 111, beat "Torito" Silva, 111, in 10. Juventino Castillo, 114, TKO'd Javier Rodriguez, 115, in five.

▲Guadalajara, Jalisco — Alfonso Ibarra, 124, defeated Jose Luis Meza, 125, in 10. Fernando Martinez, 129, TKO'd Angel Lopez, 129, in 3.

▲Acapulco, Guerrero — Jesus "Marro" Vargas, 145, TKO'd Gaby Reynoso, 146, in 4. Antonio Pino, 128, and Ramon Martinez, 130, drew in 10. Abel Clavel, 117, outscored Bibiano Gonzalez, 117, in 8.

▲Campeche — Manuel Mendez, 117, TKO'd Jose "Generalito" Salas, 118, in 10. Pedro "Chepa" Martinez, 118, KO'd Jose Segovia, 116, in 6. Victor Manuel Uicab, 111, beat Kid Panucho, 110, in four.

▲Apatzingan, Michoacan — Lupe Aguilar, 134, halted Juan Panchi, 134, in 4.

▲Mexico, D. F. — Pedro Flores, 110, upset Manuel "Cochul" Montiel, 111, in ten. Francisco Granada, 111, TKO'd Gabriel Bernal, 111, in 10. Eleazar Montes, 134, iced Jose Luis Hernandez, 134, in one. Armando Cardona, 115, TKO'd Pedro Alamilla, 116, in two. Fidencio Gonzalez, 123, TKO'd Moises Abad, 122, in two.

▲Guadalajara, Jalisco — Alfredo Carranza, 121, TKO'd Nicolas Rivera, 118, in 6.

▲Chetumal, Quintana Roo — Fitzroy Guissepi, 136, of British Honduras, TKO'd "Monkey" Gomez, 141, in nine. Aaron Bautista, 134, bested Jose Torres, 135, in 8. "King" Gonzalez, 124, TKO'd "Chamaco" Escalante, 123, in 5. "Chamaco" Jorongo, 109, bombed Ivan Navarrete, 108, in one. Herbert Caballero, 112, destroyed Roy Pinks, 113, in the beginning round.

▲Acapulco, Guerrero — Francisco Angelito, 132, TKO'd Roman Domensein, 133, in 3. Mario Gatica, 111, KO'd Benjamin Quezada, 111, in 2. Carlos Urbano, 134, lost by a TKO to Abel Vargas, 134, in 3.

▲Monterrey, Nuevo Leon — Silvino Vazquez, 131, TKO'd Jorge Villarino, 131, in 7. Sergio Rodriguez, 127, halted Alvaro Parra, 128, in 2.

▲Culiacan, Sinaloa — Ricardo Arredondo, 136, decisioned Jose Luis Soberanes, 134, in ten.

▲Mexico, D. F. — Rosalio Badillo, 126, gained Antonio "Moro" Rodriguez, 125, in ten. Antonio Valverde, 123, lost to Ventura Perez, 124, in ten. Antonio Nava, 124, TKO'd Severiano Mendoza, 124, in 3. Camilo Flores, 125, TKO'd Raul Hernandez, 125, in 2. Alvaro Malagon, 116, TKO'd Bernabe de Jesus, 115, in one.

▲Mexico, D. F. — Alejandro "Cordobes" Lopez, 118, stopped Arturo Vazquez, 117, in 3. Miguel "Ranchero" Fernandez, 112, and Ruben "Gato" Mancilla, 112, drew in ten. Pablo Chavez, 134, TKO'd Pascual Palacios, 132, in 7. Arturo Sanchez, 121, TKO'd Wilbert Lozada, 121, in one. Porfirio Perez, 111, won from Ignacio Osornio, 111, in four.

▲Campeche — Guadalupe Morales, 130, bested Luis "Superman" Rodriguez, 134, in ten. Lupe Madera, 110, TKO'd "Mulato" Morales, 112, in two. Victor "Memin" Peralta, 113, won over Manuel Avila, 111, in six. Jorge Avila, 110, decisioned Jorge Lira, 111, in four. Victor Salas, 110, and "Shibata", 111, drew in 4.

▲Guadalajara, Jalisco — Humberto Alcala, 134, defeated Fermin Soto, 134, in 10. Chucho Salcedo, 135, whipped Felipe Avila, 134, in 10.

▲Acapulco, Guerrero — Francisco "Borrego" Palacios, 111, TKO'd Tarcisio Carranza, 111, in five. Miguel Bautista, 116, kayoed Emilio "Cacha" Zamora, 117, in nine.

CASSIDY SETS LIMIT FOR FIGUERUA AT FOUR ROUNDS

BY CHARLES D. BROWN

Commack, L.I. — The Long Island Arena in New York may have boxing for keeps. If the six-bout card presented here recently was any indication of the quality of forthcoming cards.

The most prominent fighter around was top light-heavy contender Irish Bobby Cassidy, who had a probable title shot at WBC champ John Conteh riding on this fight. Cassidy, at 180, made good by anesthizing veteran Ruben Figueroa (172), Puerto Rico, in the fourth round.

The ten round semi-final contained a much touted import—Irish light-heavy champ Christy Elliott, undefeated in ten fights. Elliott, 170, had to work for his money. Last minute sub Bob Walker, Connecticut, hit the floor four times but was still in there winging before it was mercifully stopped at 2:52 of the 9th.

The top prelim fight was John Capobianco's (165; L.I.) come-from-behind stoppage of John Mollander (160; L.I.).

Another import, George Fakaras of Greece, outslugged Julio Garcia; Puerto Rico, in a 6-round welterweight brawl.

Irish Paddy Dolan, 132, stopped Eddie Alwine (136), Indiana; in the short span of 1:07 of the opening session.

In the six-round opener, Pat Barry of Long Island was given a limburger decision over Jesse Bender; Connecticut middleweight.

GOSS KNOCKED OUT IN SIX BY McGARVEY GANT WHIPS HAYMAN

By ED SCULLEN

Largo, Md.—The show was headlined by two co-feature 10-rounders. In any case, the crowd went home happy as two local favorites swept the main events. Welterweight Johnny Gant kept alive his title hopes by decisioning Alfonso Hayman over the ten round route.

In the other ten rounder, local featherweight Ronnie McGarvey was too much for Sammy Goss. Goss was belted out at :16 seconds of round six by TKO; the Trenton, N.J. fighter had been down once in the previous round.

NIXON BEATS RUSSMAN IN BINGHAMTON SPLIT

By VINCENT JIM LEO

Binghamton, N.Y. — Native son, Mike Nixon, counterpunched his way to a 10 round split-decision over middleweight prospect Mike Rossman, of Turnersville, N.J.

Mike, fighting mainly out of Glendale, Calif., seemingly got inside of Rossman, who preferred using his left jab. There were no knockdowns in the scrap.

In a co-featured ten, Binghamton heavy Tommy Kost, 194, was a seventh round TKO loser to Philadelphian Moses Harrell, 201.

Domenico Monaco, 135, New York by way of Naples, Italy, gained a unanimous eight round decision over veteran Terry Rondeau, 135, Pittsfield, Mass.

Hallstead, Pa's, Ron "Maxie" Decer, 174, scored his second straight when he TKO'd Kenny Jones, New Haven, Conn., at 1:29, of the second round, of a four rounder.

Bill Sharkey, 190, of New York, stopped Jeff Ward, Newark Valley, N.Y., at 2:33 of the first in another scheduled four rounder. Ward, 210.

Roberto Castro, 194, New York Golden Glover, scored his second straight, with a four round split decision over Al Benjamin, 210, of Brooklyn.

▲Scranton, Pa. — John "Dino" Dennis, the North Attleboro, Mass., heavyweight remained undefeated, as he disposed of G. G. Maldonado, Paterson, N.J. by virtue of a fourth round TKO.

Maldonado, limping with an apparent ankle injury and Dennis went to the attack again as each rained leather after the bell. Attending physician Dr. Frank Colizzo halted the contest inbetween the rounds after examining the bad ankle, and for Dino, his 24th straight. G. G., weighed 219.

Six rounder, Don Morgan, Philadelphia, outpointed Archie Andrews, 153, of Jersey City. Morgan, weighed 152.

Ralph Racine, 130, Buffalo, was the winner of an unpopular decision over John McQueen, Philadelphia, 133, in another sixer.

In an abbreviated six, Al Fletcher, 146, New Yorker stopped Frank Sunter, 146, Philadephia, with a TKO, after 2:46 of the opening round.

Dom Grandinetti, 235, Tunkhannock, Pa., decisioned Dave Beynon, 193, Plymouth, Pa., in a four rounder.

George McCarty, 138, Philadelphia, stopped Dan Borde, 144, Scranton, in round three. Referee Salci stopped it after 31 seconds of the third with Bordo in bad shape.

Bernard Bryant, 167, New York, won a decision over Henry Hall, 157, of Binghamton, in a four also.

TAKAYAMA, FINE JAPANESE LIGHTWEIGHT, RETURNS AT 30

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

Tokyo, Japan — Outstanding Japanese fighters announced intention to hang up gloves. Masataka Takayama, national lightweight leader at 30, declared a farewell to the ring, just after he had outscored Yasuti Yajima to retain his title.

Takayama, Olympian, was the most expected ringster with a brilliant record in more than a hundred outings. He captured Japan's leadership from Hidemori Tsujimoto in 1970 and kept it on five occasions.

Buzzsaw Yamabe dethroned the speedster in ten upset rounds, but Takayama regained the crown via a kayo route last year. Last December Takayama had a crack at Roberto Duran's 135-pound title.

In 100 seconds of the first canto the Japanese was demolished by the Stone Fist of Panama. Masataka, Catholic clean-liver, is a father of two girls. He began fighting at the age of 12, and compiled a record of 22 wins (8 knockouts) against 6 losses and one draw as a pro. He is a graduate of Waseda University. In his defenses Takayama was held to a draw by Guts Ishimatsu in 10 hard-fought rounds.

Another who retired from action was Zensuke Utagawa, former Orient featherweight leader. After he was finished by Royal Kobayashi in two rounds, the footworker made up his mind. It was his first appearance since he was dethroned by Fel Clementes in March this year. His eye ailment was a cause to prevent him from fighting any longer.

Since he wrested the crown from Korea's Hyun Kim on points, Zen registered four defenses. His hit-and-run style was so popular that he was given an opportunity to fight Ruben Olivares for the vacant WBA feather version. In round seven Utagawa sank for the count in July, 1974. His overall career resulted in 27 wins including 8 kayos against 7 defeats and two draws.

▲A sensational card drew some 2,000 customers at Korakuen Hall. Unbeaten Olympian engaged in a big game with Zensuke Utagawa in a scheduled 12-rounder. Utagawa, vaunted jabber, was stopped by one solid left in the second round.

In the opening session Kobayashi studied his opponent's busy mobility. Zen took the round with incessant stinging lefts. The winner's power amazed the crowd at the sudden stoppage. Kobayashi continued a streak in scoring 15 knockouts in 17 victories. The scrappy hope weighed in at 127, a quarter pound heavier than the ex-Orient ruler.

Reportedly Kobayashi wants a chance to meet Bobby Chacon. However the reporter saw that the fast-rising guy should improve defense tactics against harder hitters. The Japanese was rated by The Ring Magazine recently.

In a lightweight semi, Masatoshi Ogasawara polished off Masao Okazaki in two.

▲In exchanging non-stop rallies Ushiwakamaru Harada defeated Masanao Toyoshima, expected puncher, in 10 heats at Korakuen Hall. Harada positively chased the youngster from the start. He concentrated on a body attack as usual to weaken his rival effectively. Toyo suffered an injured hand in earlier rounds. Thereafter the contest was lopsided. Time and again Ushiwakamaru shook Toyo up to pile up a points lead. The feathers scaled at 125½. In a supporting junior welter eight, Masayuki Miyashita halted Suketoshi Maruyama in two.

▲Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium witnessed a double tenner. In his fourth fight since his return to action after four year layoff, Hidemori Tsujimoto scored a kayo from Arab Suga in the tenth and final round. Tsuji was a lightweight leader before being dethroned by Masataka Takayama in 1970. The winner entered the ring as a welterweight, weighing 146¼ to Suga's 146. The current Japanese leader of the division is his brother Shoji, speedy lefty.

In a first event Ray Adio, imported Nigerian, at 138¾, was stopped by Yoji Arai in the second round. It was Arai's third kayo in his 24 pro bouts. The winner scaled in at 140.

▲Rising flyweight Jiro Takada, 115, gave a lesson to less experienced Kiyotaka Mikami, finishing him in the fourth round. Mikami, 114¾, proved no match for the new Orient ruler in speed and precision. Jiro, collecting the 12th victim in 25 wins against 6 defeats and two draws, is a clubmate of Susumu Hanagata, ex-WBC leader in the same 112-pound class.

In a supporting feather go Hidemi Yoshida was battered to collapse by Shigemi Adachi in the sixth round. The card took place in Hiromae Gymnasium, Aomori, northest city of Honshu Island.

▲A double tenner of young prospects was a hot attraction before some 1,000 witnesses at Korakuen Hall. Each game finished before the distance. Flyweight Kenji Kato, 110, whipped Kazuo Aikawa, 111¾, to stop him in the fifth round. Piloted by Akihiko Honda and Miss Haru Nagano who had managed the late former champ Masao Ohba, Kenji made a rapid progress as a rated 112-pounder of JBC. His record is 20-8-6 (7 KOs) now.

Rough Koichi Munakata, 151¾, revealed his power in polishing off Masami Yoshinaga, 153, in the second session. Koichi scored his fourth kayo in as many wins against 3 defeats and 2 draws. It was a tune-up go of the ex-amateur welterweight who would face Shoji Tsujimoto for the JBC title. In a supporting eight, Nobuyoshi Sekino decisioned Mamoru Nagaoka.

▲In his first after a successful campaign in Los Angeles, Shig Fukuyama met a tough Mexican featherweight named Dolfino Rodrigues. But as expected, Shig scored a kayo as Rodrigues refused to fight on and was counted out by the ref in the corner. Time was 24 seconds of the fifth round. In an opening session Shig suddenly stopped throwing blows with an injured left eye. He protested Rodrigues' intentional thumbing. Fukuyama, half blind, was battered with his back against the ropes for about a minute. Shig, newly rated by The Ring Magazine following his upset knockout of Danny Lopez, came back strongly from the second round on. He scored well with sharp combinations to Dolfino's face and body. Toppling the Mexican often, Shig took three rounds lopsidedly. In the fatal round Rodrigues retired, claiming a fractured right hand. His corner man ordered to continue it, while Rodrigues refused to. Then the third man Yoshida tolled the ten. Shig weighed in at 126¼ to the loser's 129 pounds.

In a junior welter eight Hiromi Nishida demolished Koji Hitomi in the fourth round.

▲Crafty Masataka Takayama, 135, showed superiority in speed and skills to outscore Yasuji Yajima, unbeaten hope at 134¾, in 10 heats. A decision means Masa's second defense since he recaptured the national title with a KO from Buzzsaw Yamabe last year. Some 3,500 fans were in attendance to see Takayama's vaunted ringcraft.

▲Yajima, 20, released a positive attack from the start. With fine defensive ability Takayama avoided the barrage and counterpunched him in reverse. Effectively Masa landed solid lefts to Yajima's breadbasket. From the fourth round on the contest became lopsided, for Yajima's speed faded. Masa battered his man almost at will to have him at bay. Yajima's gameness was such that Masa was unable to drop the groggy guy. A decision was quite unanimous. Yajima had a bitter experience to suffer the first loss against 12 wins and two draws.

Takayama announced a surprising retirement in the square, just after his hand was raised by the third man. The University graduate said, "Tonight I invited my wife and children to see my last engagement. I am 30. Last year I had a peak at my career. I tried my fists, though finished by Roberto Duran in the first round. I should have had a rematch with Guts Ishimatsu. We drew in ten rounds in my title defense years ago."

▲Their first match resulted in a hard-fought draw in Aug., 1972. Ryu Sorimachi barely kept the Orient welter title then. Korean rival Cho Min cried, "I was robbed." For all his points deficit Min decked the Japanese on occasion. In Ryu's seventh defense of the 147-pound title Cho entered the ring as a dangerous opposition. This time the result was a draw.

During 12 rounds they fought as furiously as in the previous bout. Cho, rugged Korean, sent a smashing right to the button. Down the champ went. Ryu regained his feet to come back and whip Cho in return in the third round. See-saw proceedings continued from then on. Ryu who had sunk 29 men in 47 wins against 9 defeats and 3 draws landed sharp straight blows to Cho's face.

The durable Korean with 23-6-7 (20 KOs) record did not retreat but bored in to throw a rally. They exchanged a powerful barrage toe-to-toe.

All the officials saw the contest a draw; Yoshida, 55-55, Tezaki, 56-56, and Kanaya, 54-54. The decision was well-received by a sellout crowd of 2,000 at Korakuen Hall.

In a semi Eagle Sato, ex-titlist and Ryu's stablemate, halted Cho-Hyun Bok, Korean newcomer, in the eighth round. A wicked right to the jaw was a haymaker.

MONROE AND HART MAKE THEIR PHILLY FANS HAPPY

By NIGEL COLLINS

Philadelphia, Pa. — The local middleweight duo of Willie "The Worm" Monroe and Eugene "Cyclone" Hart continued their winning ways in separate 10-rounders at the Arena. The promotional team of Billy and Jimmy Walker were rewarded with a good turnout of 4,000 fans.

Monroe struggled to a split decision over Trinidad veteran Carlos Mark. Hart left-hooked his way to a six round TKO over Chu Chu Garcia of Mexico.

Mark's tricky style had "The Worm" off stride and missing his big punches most of the night. Mark appeared to have the know-how to beat Monroe but he failed to take advantage of Willie's numerous misses. Only in the sixth and ninth rounds did Mark counter effectively.

Despite the fact that one official ruled the bout a draw, Monroe deserved the decision for forcing the action and all around hustle. It was far from an exciting encounter but it was interesting from a strategic point of view. Mark held a one pound advantage at 161.

Hart, 159, charged to the attack from the opening bell and did not let up until referee Hank Cisco rescued Garcia in the sixth.

Garcia, 162, has to be credited with one of the strongest chins either side of the Rio Grande. Left hook after left hook found its mark before Chu Chu finally hit the deck. He beat the count but Athletic Commissioner Zack Clayton told referee Cisco to call a halt anyway.

The Mexican tried to fight back but his punches lacked enough power to hold "Cyclone" at bay. It was an action affair while it lasted but the outcome was never in doubt.

Bob Stewart, 175, impressed the crowd with a second round TKO over Joe Jones, 175. A look at Jones' dismal record would hava abated their enthusiasm somewhat.

Morris "Shine" Grant, 137½, held Ronald Branch, 143, to an unpopular 4-round draw.

Wade Hinnant, 126, looked good outpointing Lenny Rains, 129, in the 4-round opener. Both youngsters were making their first start as a pro and were surprisingly polished.

▲Blue Horizon — Promoter J. Russell Peltz closed out the small hall season until cooler weather prevails with a five bout card featuring young local talent. Prospects Alfonso "Bubby" Evans and Baby Kid Chocolate came through with victories in the double 8-round windup.

Chocolate, 119½, had little trouble disposing of Harvey "Candyman" Wilson, 127. The Ohio import fielded a good right hand for the first of three opening round knockdowns. The second two were of the suspect variety.

A natural bantam, Chocolate is undefeated in 10 pro starts. Wilson was his fifth early ending.

In a much better match Evans, 126½, withstood a strong finish from Radames Ventura, 129, to earn the 8-round nod.

Evans put together some snappy combinations early and seemed to hurt Ventura in the second. The Dominican proved to be very strong and "Bubby" settled down to outbox Ventura over the next four rounds.

Ventura's strength began to tell the last two frames but it was too late. Evans hung tough to lift his record to 10-1.

In an outstanding six-rounder local Lynwood Snowden, 122½, punched his way to victory over talented adversary Leo Lopez. The New Yorker had handed Snowden his only pro loss at this same venue earlier this year.

The match was fought at a brisk pace with both men contributing crisp hitting and smart boxing. Snowden had more drive and was pulling away at the end.

In a pair of first round TKO's that would be better off forgotten Johnny "Two Gun" Barr, 130, did away with Billy Jones, 140, and Marvin Edwards, 138, did likewise to Russell Washington, 146. All four participants from Philly.

Trenton, New Jersey — Topnotch junior lightweight Sammy Goss outpointed New York's Felix Figueroa over ten 2-minute rounds at the Civic Center. It was only Sammy's second appearance before his hometown fans in 49 professional bouts.

Goss, 127, controlled the fight putting his vast experience and ring savvy to good use. Figueroa, 128½, landed a few good shots of his own but could never manage to swing the tide in his favor.

Although the match was far from thrilling, both boxers gave an honest effort. Goss now stands at 41-7-1, while Figueroa slipped to 9-10-3.

New York's popular veteran Jose Resto, 131, continued his modest unbeaten run by holding Trenton's Willie Daniels, 132, to a mauling 8-round draw. The brief 2-minute rounds hampered Resto who always seemed to be coming on strong at the end of each round.

Leroy Diggs, 210, co-managed by former middleweight kingpin Joey Giardello, stopped Horace Robinson, 200, in two. Diggs belted Robinson to the canvas twice in the first and once in the second before referee John Fitzpatric called him off.

Local favorite Richie Giquinto starched Tim Kirk in the opening round of a scheduled middleweight four. Kirk kept his perfect record in tact, six pro starts and six KO defeats. This kid should be banned before he gets hurt.

Philadelphia's Billy "The Kid" Abel, 128, made good his pro debut with a second round knockout over Roy Johnson, 122.

The show, the first for promoter J. Russell Peltz in Trenton, drew 1,094 customers despite a torrid rain and hail storm.

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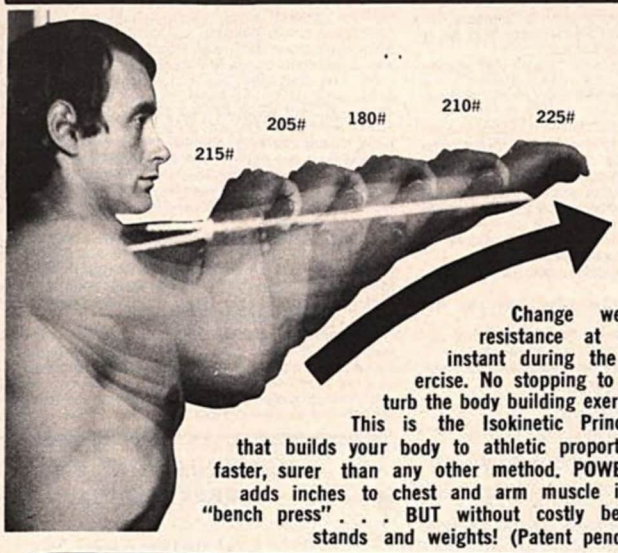

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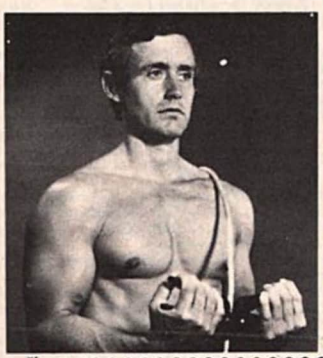

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SMITH & NELSON WIN NEW ENGLAND TITLES

By DON HAMILL

New England fans were treated to a couple of the area's title fights. New England championships are taken quite seriously.

Donnie Nelson received recognition as the lightweight champ by stopping Bobby Gutheridge in a bout staged by the Bridgeport Police Association to fill the vacant championship. The next night in Brockton, Jackie Smith was successful in defending his junior middleweight title against former king, Paul Osborne.

Brockton High School Gym — Marvin Hagler, 160, Brockton, won by a six round disqualification over Jimmy Owens, 158, Detroit. Unlike their first bout, a thriller, the bout was dull. Hagler tried to get inside but Owens was guilty of grabbing behind the head and neck. Referee Tommy Rawson disqualified Owens after he failed to take heed after three warnings.

Dick Wynn, 215, Norton, was extended for the full six rounds by Bob Crutison, 195, White Plains. Reinaldo Oliviera, 160, West Wareham, captured a lop-sided six round duke over Jerry Tramantano, 167, White Plains. Joe DeFayette, 137, Taunton, won handily over Ahmed Tosci, 135, White Plains, taking all six rounds by a comfortable margin. Billy Duquette, 158, Brockton, easily disposed of Nate Daynes, 152, New York, in the first round of a four spot. Danny Tratzinski, 123, Brockton, faced Vernon Randall, 130, Yonkers, who was easily dispatched in less than a round.

Middletown — Wesleyan University Rink — Dana McCarthy, 163, Bristol, had his hands full with Joe Houston, 157, Lowell, but he outgutted the Bay Stater and Houston quit in the fourth round alleging a hand injury.

Jose Ortiz, 132, Lawrence, gave Bobby Gutheridge, 134, Hartford, a good battle for three rounds before bowing out. Ortiz quit in the third round when Gutheridge's body blows began taking their toll. Marcelino Alicea, 143, Holyoke, was unable to come out for the fifth round with a slight eye cut giving Steve Toomey, 146, Waterbury, a TKO win. Avalino Dos Reis, 138, Waterbury, was handed Spider Ed Murphy, 134, Lowell, whom he kayoed in the first round. Dennis Jordan, 197, Wethersfield, knocked out Kenny Jones, 181, New Haven, with a solid right uppercut in 2:12 of the first round.

▲Waterbury Armory — Duane Bobick, 212, Bowles, Minn., needed less than two rounds to dispose of Ernie Lassiter, 195, Newark, N.J. Lassiter did not fear Bobick, who was going after his 28th win against no defeats. Lassiter carried the fight to the red-headed former Olympian and outpunched him in the first session. Bobick stepped up the tempo in the next round and dropped Lassiter with a left hook which climaxed a two fisted attack. On arising Lassiter's eyes were still glassy and Referee Walter Mungo called a halt.

Vinnie DeBarros, 137, Waterbury, turned in a masterful performance in soundly whipping Jose Ortiz, 132, Lawrence, in six rounds. Steve Toomey, 143, Waterbury, chased Angel Cintron, 140, New York, for six rounds and caught him often enough to win every round. Jesse Bender, 158, Hartford, and Jesus Alicea, 152, Holyoke, put on a good scrap until Alicea suffered a cut in the second round and kept him from coming out for the third round. Avalino Dos Reis, 135, Waterbury, kept his cool while veteran Marcelino Alicea, 145, Holyoke, clowned and earned a well deserved decision in four rounds.

▲Bridgeport — Winterland of Ice — Donnie Nelson, 133½, Hartford, won the vacant New England lightweight championship by stopping his fellow townsman, Bobby Gutheridge, 132. The latter got off to an early lead by edging Nelson in the first heat with a body attack. Nelson started moving forward in round two. Gutheridge barely finished round three and was battered into helplessness in the fourth round before referee Pinky Morris called a halt.

Jimmy Lopez, 124½, Lawrence, New England featherweight titlist, handed a savage beating to last minute substitute Eddie Rivera, 128, New York, in the fifth round. The pair battled toe-to-toe with the New Yorker recepting for most of the punches scored.

Jose Carabello, 141, edged his former fellow townsman and stablemate, Frankie Davila, Hartford, 146½, 6 rounds.

In prelims: Johnny Harris, 160, Hartford, made an impressive pro debut halting Cove Green, 155, Bridgeport, in the second round. Green was on the deck 4stimes in the brief encounter. The opener was a good action packed bout with Randy Milton, 137, Bridgeport, making a successful pro debut with a split four round decision over Jimmy Nieves, 140, New York.

▲Brockton High School Gymnasium — Jackie Smith, 155, Brockton, successfully defended his New England junior middleweight crown agains the challenges of Paul Osborne, 155, Burlington, Mass., with a unanimous ten round decision. The better boxing Smith scored more frequently but his blows had less effect than the heavier punching of his foe. Paul scored the only knockdown of the fight in the second round and had Smith wobbly throughout the round. Jackie's big round was the eighth when he handed Osborne a pasting for the full three minutes. The decision was well received.

Pat Kivlin, 135, Cambridge, survived a last ditch stand in the final round by Jose Carlos Garcia, 138, Worcester, to pound out a clear cut unanimous six round duke. Joe DeFayette, 138, Taunton, outlasted Ahmed Tosci, 138, White Plains, in six. Billy Duquette, 158, Brockton's fighting bartender, hardly worked up a sweat in icing Jimmy Marissa, 153, White Plains, in :55 of the first round. Tony Lopes, 140, Brockton, made his pro debut a winning one by earning a clear cut four round duke in the opener over Jerry Myers, 143, White Plains.

Lem Moore, now living in New Brunswick comes to Massachusetts whenever his stepsons, Al or Pat Kivlin do battle . . . The new Rhode Island boxing commissioner is Edward Goodwin. He hopes to restore boxing to his state . . . Sam Silverman had a new boxing ring for the Jackie Smith—Paul Osborne battle.

TYRONE EVERETT SCORES HAWAII KO IN SECONDS

By TED YAMACHIKA

Honolulu, Hawaii — Tyrone Everett, 129¾, highly ranked junior lightweight from Philadelphia, took less than a round and about three or four punches to finish Rolando Pastor, 130, Philippines, in a scheduled ten round main event held at the HIC arena. But he wasn't happy about it. He had come a long way to impress Honolulu fans with his prowess and show them that he is ready for a title fight against Ben Villaflor.

But the way things turned out, he wasn't given that chance because Pastor had gone down from a blow that wasn't that solid or potent. Pastor was more scared than hurt is the way Everett put it.

Officially Pastor was knocked out in the 2nd round because he wasn't able to answer the bell for that round. Actually he had gone down at 2:58 seconds of the 1st, fell on his haunches, then rolled back a couple seconds and remained motionless for quite a while. (As of this writing Pastor's purse is being withheld and his performance is going to be investigated.)

▲William Goodwin, 155½, Honolulu, was held to a draw by Eddie Mazon, 156, Los Angeles, in a companion ten.

▲Rufino Hernandez, 118, Los Angeles, dec. Gary Correa, 117, Honolulu, 5.

▲Pongie Lie, 154, Tonga, and Chris Carvalho, 156, Honolulu, fought to a 5 round draw.

▲Virgilio Amano, 125, Philippines, beat Kid Pabanlag, 125½, Philippines, in 4.

▲Rolando Pastor, 131, Philippines, knocked out Juan Sarmiento, 130½, Mexico, in 9th of ten.

▲Mario Manrique, 123¾, Mexico, knocked out Buddy Boy Dayaganon, 121¼, Philippines, in 2nd of 10.

▲Hideo Kobayashi, 123½, Japan, beat Kid Pabanlag, 127, Philippines, 4.

▲Ryuichi Kawadai, 145¼, Japan, beat Baler Serrano, 147, Philippines, 4.

▲Kenneth Oki, 218½, Honolulu, knocked out William Vea, 210¼, Honolulu, in 2.

Gary Correa, 117¾, Honolulu, knocked out Max Contado, 117¼, Philippines, in 3.

DOWNEY, 7 YEARS MARITIME CHAMP, LOSES TO L. HAFEY

By FRED BISHOP

Halifax, N.S. — There are ring battles that go down in history as classics but the Canadian middleweight title fight between champion Dave Downey, 159, Halifax and welterweight Lawrence Hafey, 147, New Glasgow, will not be one of them.

From the opening bell through to the twelfth the boys did not work up a good sweat in this dull match. Downey with a 12 pound weight advantage plus height and reach tried to bull Hafey about the ring, but he was so inept in boxing that he permitted the New Glasgow "cutie" to land the more and cleaner punches.

Downey, the champion for the past seven years lost his title on a split decision when the judges scored as follows: Stu Isener, Hafey 58-51, John Sansom, Downey 59-53, and judge Alex Nickerson, Hafey, 56-55. The Ring card was the same as Nickerson's.

Both Hafey and his manager Jerry Fraser gave all the credit for the win to imported corner man Richard Christmas.

What the main event lacked in action was more then made up for in the eight round semi-final as Barry Sponagle, 137, Stellaeton, N.S. and Ahmet Tosci, 134, White Plains, N.Y. fought a war that thrilled 6,300 fans as they slugged it out round after round. Both were cut, Sponagle along the left eye and Tosci above the right ear. There were no knockdowns as Sponagle won by a unanimous decision, both boys received standing ovations.

In six rounds veteran Archie Lee, 163, Halifax hung a second round kayo on Bobby Brake, 156, Fall River, N.S while in a 4 round opener Dale Provost, 165, North Preston stopped Maxie Husbands, 158, Halifax, midway through the third.

The card marked the return of veterans promoters, Gussie MacLennen and Al Brown who were rewarded with roughly a $30,000 gate.

MARCOTTE WALTZES TO T.K.O. WIN IN 3 HEATS

By FRANK ALLNUTT

Quebec City — A good lively local show took place at the Pavillon promoted by Guy Lion. The only weak bout on the card was the main event in which Fernand Marcotte Jr. (Quebec), 154, had a breeze with Rudy McCurdy (New York), 153. No way was McCurdy a fit opponent for Marcotte and the bout was halted in the third round leaving the local boy a TKO winner.

In the semi-final over ten rounds Marc Gervais (Hull) ran out to be a unanimous winner over Claude Gauthier (Quebec). It was a hard fought bout, both boys weighed in at 152½. Over six rounds Yves Filion (Quebec), 158, and Gerald Bouchard set the pace for a rough, tough fight which ended in a split decision in favor of Filion. Over four rounds Daniel Levesque (Montreal) disposed of Jack Baril (Three Rivers) in the second round and Jim Henry (Montreal) won a unanimous decision over Ike Landry (Plattsburgh).

▲**London** — Terry Hayward (Labrador) had his boxing career cut short when he was sentenced to prison for a period of four years on a drug smuggling charge. Hayward was arrested at London's Heathrow Airport as he was boarding a plane for Montreal. Hayward pleaded guilty.

▲**Ottawa** — A circus 'cum' boxing effort at the Civic Centre drew some 3,000 fans who had nothing better to do on a Sunday night. Part-time heavyweight boxers from Toronto, Paul Nielson and Horst Geisler tried their luck with advertised Ku Fung and Kick Boxer performers. Nielson was blasted out in less than a round, Geisler survived over one billed as 'Man Monster' Everett Eddy. Although under suspension Gaetan Hart (Hull) lost a decision to Cornell Hall (Ottawa). On April 30th in Montreal, Hart was knocked out in three rounds and was suspended by the Montreal Athletic Commission for thirty days. Ten days later, Hart's manager had him out to Genoa pitted against Bruno Arcari, former world Jr. welterweight champion. Hart never threw a punch, demolished in the initial round. Hart is on his way to a very early retirement if he is lucky to last that long, meanwhile his management never feel a blow and are right there to collect their percentage. No weights or rounds were reported in the coverage by the Ottawa Citizen who also reported that Gord Allcorn (Ottawa) KOed one Claude Laroche and Alan Parslow a TKO win over Gaston Lafreniere.

▲**Sorel, Que.** — For the second time in his 19 pro career Jean Claude Leclair was stopped by Gary Broughton (Brantford) at 2:14 of the seventh round. George Drouin, manager of Leclair threw in the towel when his fighter was reeling helplessly after being nailed by powerful right hand punch by Broughton.

The middleweight bout drew a crowd of 1,753 fans who paid $10,326 at the gate. At the time of the stoppage, Leclair had a slim margin of a single point in the scoring. In other bouts Daniel Levesque (Montreal) decisioned Michel Godin (Montreal) and Roy Johnson decisioned Jim Henry (Montreal), both were middleweight bouts.

GARDNER WINS BUT BREAKS HAND.

By TOM RAY

Oklahoma City — Oklahoma City boxing fans better watch out when former world welterweight champion Curtis Cokes comes to town. The retired champ recently brought two of his pro prospects to the Red Carpet Inn and both walked away with wins over hometown boys.

Cokes' rejuvenated light-heavyweight Bruce Scott won in the ten round main event over Oklahoma City's Ned Hallacy and junior welterweight prospect Harvey Arnold won on a first round KO over cityan John Martin.

Scott, a substitute for ailing Frankie Evans, proved to be too much for the seemingly out of shape Hallacy.

Hallacy seemed content to lay back on the ropes and jab or cover up. It looked like Hallacy was trying to wear Scott down but it just wasn't to be. At the end of the fight, it was Scott who appeared the fresher of the two.

In an action packed six round semi-main event, Oklahoma City's Sean O'Grady decisioned San Antonio's Ramon Campos.

In a four rounder, middleweight Jeff Knight outslugged Joe Parson to gain the decision. Both boys are from Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma City — Sean O'Grady proved to Oklahoma City fans that his 8th ranking, the latest in this magazine's U.S. Bantam listings, was not a fluke.

The power punching Oklahoma City bantamweight disposed of Mexico City's Babe Perez in 2:46 of the third round on the three knockdown rule at the Red Carpet Inn.

In a four rounder, Tony Ramirez, a possible O'Grady opponent, slugged his way to an easy decision over tough, but outclassed Paul Knight.

A four round re-match Joe Parson's turned the tables over previous conqueror Jeff Knight by winning a four round decision and in bantamweight action, Rocky Smith of Midwest City stopped Earl Booth of Pryor in two.

▲Memphis, Tenn. — North American Jr. Middleweight Champion Tony Gardner saw his 20 bout knockout string broken when he was forced to travel the full ten rounds beating veteran Robert "Songbird" Williams at the Blues Stadium in Memphis.

But Gardner's KO string wasn't the only thing broken. In the second round, a hard left hook to the head, which shook Williams, broke Tony's fist. Doctors say Gardner will be out of action for at least four or five weeks.

A crowd of over 1,000 people saw Gardner win a unanimous decision.

In the ten round co-main event, muscular heavyweight Charles Atlas slugged his way to a unanimous ten round verdict over veteran Al Jones of Memphis.

In three preliminary bouts, featherweights Eddie Freeman of Memphis stopped David Belsky in two and Earl Wilson kayoed David Tymes in one. In a heavyweight bout, Louis Young stopped veteran Sylvester Murphy in four.

▲Little Rock, Ark. — Little Rock bantamweight Bobby Holderfield scored a fifth round technical knockout over Midwest City, Okla.'s Rocky Smith.

In the ten round co-main event, North American Jr. Middleweight Champion Tony Gardner of Oklahoma City stopped Copan, Oklahoma's Ronnie Chicon in three and, in a six rounder, bantamweight Sean O'Grady halted David Williams in the first.

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending August 15, 1975

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Muhammad Ali beat Joe Bugner, to retain World Heavyweight Title.
Duane Bobick stopped Ernie Lassiter, 2.
Mahmut Fadel kayoed Bill Wilson, 2.
Vonsell Johnson beat Smokey Middleton, 6, Wayne McGee, 6
Randy Neumann stopped Billy Aird, 8.
Marty Monroe outpointed Dwain Bonds, 5.
Ibar Arrington decisioned Fred Wallace, 10.
John Dennis halted G. G. Maldonado, 3.
Danny McAlinden halted Hatmut Sasse, 4.
Bert Perry stopped Boston Blackie, 9.
Tommy Kost halted by Moses Harrell, 5.
Bill Sharkey stopped Jeff Ward, 1.
Roberto Castro defeated Al Bingham, 4.
Jody Ballard halted Tommy Howard, 8.
Jean Coopmans won disq. from Terry Daniels, 7.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bobby Cassidy kayoed Reuben Figueroa, 4.
Tom Bethea halted Avenamar Peralta.
Steve Aczel kayoed Peter Clay, 2.
John Wilburn stopped Dennis Roberts, 3.
John Frankham beat Chris Finnegan, 15, British light heavyweight title.
Lou Benson decisioned Larry Washington, 4.
Hildo Silva outpointed Terry Lee, 10.
Chris Elliott kayoed Jose Anglada, 3.
Victor Galindez defeated Jorge Ahumada, W.B.A. light heavyweight title.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Rodrigo Valdez kayoed Ramon Mendez, 8, W.B.C. middleweight title.
Carlos Monzon beat Tony Licata, to retain World Middleweight Title.
Vito Antuofermo stopped Renaldo Oliviera, 6.
Emile Griffith lost to Juan Carlos Duran, 10.
Willie Monroe defeated Carlos Marks, 10.
Bunny Sterling kayoed Maurice Hope, 8, Vacant British Middleweight Title.
Luis Fabre beat Juan Bogado, 10.
Billy Duquette kayoed Jimmy Marissa, 1, beat Joe Houston, 4.
Mike Lancaster halted John Coiley, 7.
Tommy Howard beat Roger Buckskin, 10.
Lawrence Hafey outpointed Dave Downey, 12, Canadian Middleweight Title.
Eugene Hart kayoed Chuchu Garcia, 6.
Reinaldo Oliveira beat Frank Moore, 4.
Rico Hoye defeated Radamas Cabrera, 10.
Mike Nixon beat Mike Rossman, 10.
Mike Colbert kayoed Ken Austin, 3.
Glen Morgan stopped Ernie Burns, 6.
Sammy Barra halted Mike Morgan, 5.
Jean Mateo kayoed Jose Hernandez, 2.
Sammy NeSmith stopped Willie Warren, 2.
Benny Briscoe beat Stan Hayward, 10.
Eddie Gregory kayoed Len Harden, 10.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Jae-Do Yuh kayoed Koichi Wajima, 7, to win World Junior Middleweight Title.
Mike Baker stopped Willie Crockett, 3, U.S. junior middleweight title.
Carlos Marks lost to Willie Monroe, 10.
Ramon Mendez stopped by Rodrigo Valdez, 7, W.B.C. middleweight title.
Maurice Hope kayoed by Bunny Sterling, 8, British Middleweight Title.
James Marshall halted Monty Betham, 3.
Miguel Angel Castellini beat Rodolfo Rosales, 10.
Franz Csandl outpointed Eddie Perkins, 10.
Renato Garcia decisioned Carlos Peralta, 10.
Marcel Quinones halted Dino Del Cid, 4.
Jackie Smith beat Paul Osborne, 10.
Roscoe Frazier defeated Tony McDaniels, 10.
Jesse Bender stopped Jesus Alicia, 3.
Mario Rosa halted Paul Osborne, 6.
Edgar Ross stopped Ive Gifford, 2.

WELTERWEIGHTS

John Stracey halted Ruben Vasquez, 8.
Rocky Mattioli stopped Chris Fernandez, 2.
Nick Ortiz kayoed Manny Torres, 5.
Johnny Gant beat Alfonso Hayman, 10.
Dave Kibby outpointed Baby Casanova, 6.
Clarence Hammick decisioned Roger Buckskin, 6.
Ryu Sorimachi drew with Cho Min, 12, Orient welterweight title.
Carlos Palomino beat Roger Buckskin, 10.
Mike Gephart stopped Ron Pettigrew, 5.
Tyrone Phelps stopped Floyd Mayweather, 2.
Kevin Morgan kayoed Ezra Davis, 4.
Mike Everett beat Sammy Ruckard, 8.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Hector Thompson kayoed Ali Afakasi, 10.
Laudial Negron stopped Justice Ortiz, 3.
Pedro Fernandez beat Frank Molina, 10, non-title.
Cemal Kamaci halted Enzo Pizzoni, 6.
Tim Walker beat Saoul Mamby, 8.
Lou Bizzarro outpointed Pablo Rodriguez, 10.
Rudy Hernandez decisioned Brooks Byrd, 10.
Eddie Murry beat Fernando Gil, 6.
Dave Kibby outpointed Eugene White, 6.
Carlos Giminez decisioned Carlos Gil, 10.
Jose Carabello beat Frank Davila, 10.
Adolph Viruet kayoed Roy Holloway, 5.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ishimatsu Suzuki beat Arturo Pineda, 15, W.B.C. lightweight title.
Hector Medina kayoed Roberto Martinez, 9.
Jimmy Heair defeated Lorenzo Trujillo, 10.
Edwin Viruet beat Rogelio Castenada, 10.
Dom Monaco kayoed Giuseppe Minotti, 1, beat Terry Rondeau, 8.
Jimmy Heair outpointed Lorenzo Trujillo, 10.
Joe DeFayette defeated Ahmet Tosci, 6.
Gary Ferrari won from Leo Vigil, 6, kayoed Young Casanov
Randy Shields defeated Miquel Mayon, 10.
Donnie Nelson halted Bobby Guthridge.
Roberto Duran kayoed Jose Peterson, 1, non-title.
Saadi Saadli beat Jean Piedvache, 10.
Everaldo Azevedo outpointed Pierre Ceru, 10.
Norman Goins defeated Lorenzo Trujillo, 10.
Frankie Benitez beat Javier Ayala, 10.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Kuniaki Shibata beat Cho Hon-Pok, non-title, 10.
Sven-Erik Paulsen defeated Santino Reali, 8.
Tyrone Everett kayoed Rolando Pastor, 1.
Arnold Taylor stopped Lothar Abend, 3.
Ben Ortiz beat Cinito Perez, 10.
Ronnie McGarvey kayoed Sammy Goss, 6.
Carlos Alvarez decisioned Angel Gutierrez, 10.
Ray Lunny III halted Amando Mendietta, 5.
Mario Redi drew with Nevio Carbi, 8.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

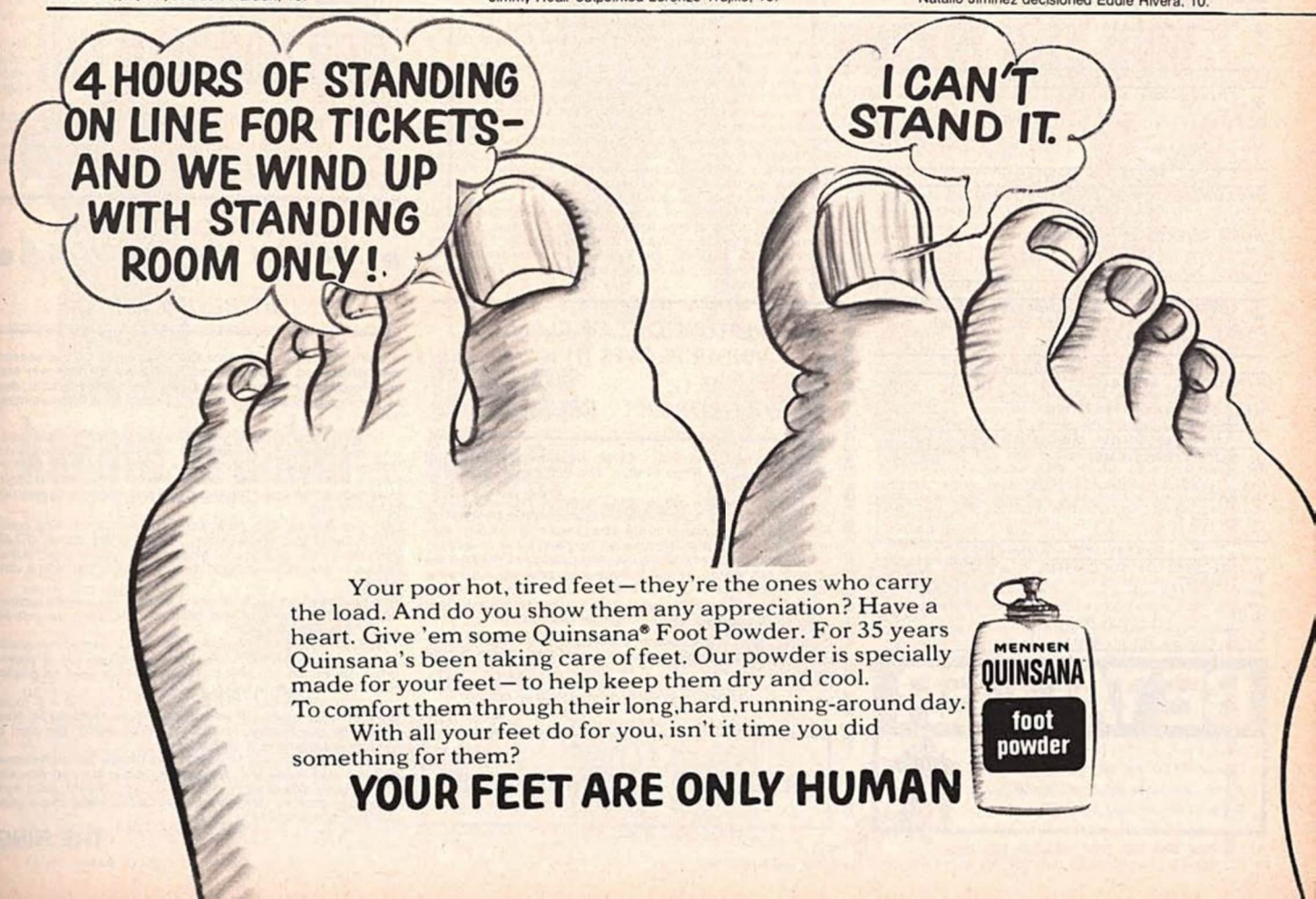
Alexis Arguello kayoed Rigoberto Riasco, 2, W.B.A. feathe weight title.
Art Hafey decisioned Julio Leal, 10.
Shig Fukuyama halted David Rodriguez, 5, Juan Gallego, 5.
Lorenzo Trujillo lost to Jimmy Heair, 10.
Octavio Gomez defeated Bert Nabalatan, 10.
Ruben Olivares kayoed Bobby Chacon, 2, W.B.C. feathe weight title.
Leo Cruz outpointed Francisco Cruz, 10.
Alan Buchanan halted John Mitchell, 9.
Jimmy Lopez stopped Eddie Rivera, 5.
Vernon Solis beat Norberto Reyes.
Manuel Lujan halted Jose Olivares, 6.
Arnold Taylor stopped Lothar Abend, 3.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Rodolfo Martinez kayoed Nestor Jiminez, 8, W.B.C. bantar weight title.
Soo Hwan Hong stopped John Mesa, 2.
Paul Ferreri beat Brian Roberts, 10.
Gilbert Illueca outpointed Henry Castillo, 10.
Heleno Ferreire stopped Ahcene Saifi, 8.
Sean O'Grady kayoed Earl Booth, 1, Baby Perez, 3.
Famosito Gomez beat Frankie Duarte, 10.
Alfonso Zamora kayoed Jorge Torres, 10, non-title.
Seco Luna beat Bobby Lee Hunter, 8.

FLYWEIGHTS

Miguel Canto beat Betulio Gonzalez, 15, retained Wor Flyweight Title.
Shoji Oguma kayoed Peter Noble, 9.
Fernando Cabanela stopped Jose Murillo, 9.
Fritz Chervet and Franco Udella no contest, E.B.U. flyweigl title.
Alberto Morales won from Erbito Salvarria, 10, non-title.
Luis Estaba kayoed Orlando Hernandez, 10.
Natalio Jiminez decisioned Eddie Rivera, 10.



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BRAZILIAN CHAMP ALENCAR BEATS URUAGAYAN REYES

BY BO ZAINE

Sao Paulo, Brazil — Bantam Danilo Batista outscored Diego Vega Ramirez, Paraguay over eight rounds. Javan DeOliveira and ex-olympian Deusdete Vasconcellos went eight bantam rounds even as did junior welters Pompilio Genico and Osmar DeOliveira in six. Flyweight Luiz Marques outpointed José Cardoso in six.

▲Welterweight Raimundo Mathias surprised when outpointing Joao Tavares in eight rounds. Jr welter Aparedido Batista decisioned Joao Aziago, six, Ferreira on points. Lightweight José Carlos Dos Santos outpointed Eloi De Souza, six rounds.

▲Undefeated Brazilian welterweight champion Espedito Alencar easily won from Luis Alberto Reyes, Uruguay, in eight rounds. Feather Claudio dos Santos outpointed Javan DeOliveira in six and bantam Valdir Lobo won another six-rounder over Paulo Ribeiro.

▲Olympian light heavyweight Valdemar Paulino tasted defeat for the first time as a pro when he was disqualified against Rudecito Chavez of Argentina in the second round. Eight rounds of bantamweight boxing saw Pedro Domingos outpoint Gilton Salomao and lightweight Eloi De Souza won the opening four-rounder against Joaquim dos Santos on points.

▲Promising Raimundo Mathias, welter, stopped Osmar DeOliveira in the seventh and lightheavy Helio Ribeiro halted José Casas in the fifth.

▲Undefeated Brazilian featherweight champion José DePaula won in eight round from Miguel Escobares of Argentina. Lightweight Joseé Carlos dos Santos outpointed Aparecido Batista in six and flyweight Lindoarte Patriota decisioned Paulo Ribeiro, also six.

▲South American, junior welterweight champion Joao Henrique outpointed Alfredo Miguel Coria of Argentina over ten rounds. Lightweight José Rodrigues won a six-rounder from Pompilio Genico. Feathers Domingos Zigrini and Javan DeOliveira went six rounds even.

▲South American lightweight amateur champion José Ribeiro kayoed Itibere Rodrigues in the third. Bantam Antonio Franca outpointed Valdir Lobo over six rounds and lightweight José Carlos dos Santos kayoed Jaoquim dos Santos in the fourth round.

▲Miguel DeOliveira easily stopped Juan "Yanni" Garcia, Argentina, in the first round of their junior middle bout. Unbeaten Danilo Batista, a hot bantamweight prospect, kayoed Domingos Zigrini in the second round. Lightweight Eloi DeSouza outpointed Aparecido Batista over six and light heavy Helio Ribeiro lost a six-rounder to Elcio Neves.

▲Afonso Euzebio lost his unbeaten string to Miguel Escobares, Argentina, who outpointed the Brazilian over eight rounds. Euzebio won both the Latin American and the South American championship in 1973 for amateurs. Feather Claudio dos Santos outpointed Joao Evangelista in six and bantam Paulo Ribeiro decisioned Sergio Lopes in another six-rounder. The opening four-rounder saw Gilberto Caxias outpoint Joao Aziago.

▲Luiz Carlos Fabre, South American middleweight champion, easily outpointed Juan Carlos Bogado of Argentina over ten rounds. Joao Mendonca, hot unbeaten jr middle prospect, kayoed Juan Luduena of Argentina in the fourth round. Mendonca has won all his nine fights as a pro on kayo or stoppage and is considered, together with bantam Danilo Batista, the most promising fighter in this country. Undefeated heavyweight Antonio Martins outscored Francisco Pereira Dias over six rounds and lightweights Aparecido Batista and Ramon Gomes went six rounds even.

▲Osvaldo Rodrigues of Argentina halted Valdemar Paulino in the fourth round of their lightheavyweight contest. Jr welter Pompilio Genico kayoed Walter Satiro in the sicth. Flyweights Lindoarte Patriota and José Cardoso drew in another six-rounder and middle joao Paulino outpointed Jair Evangelista over four rounds.

NEPTUNE OUT OF CLASS PINDER PROVES IT IN '74

BY GEORGE C. BECKLES

Port-Of-Spain, Trinidad,—Clyde Neptune boxed out of his class, against Rene Pinder. The end came midway in the fourth round.

Trinidad & Tobago light weight Champion Michael Drayton, 134¼, who was up against a bobbing and weaving sugar Ray Sears, 135, of Nassau who decked Drayton in the 50th second of round 2 with a left hook to the head for a count of 9, but the end came when Sears landed a right to Drayton's jaw sending him down. As the referee was counting his trainer Bertram Legall threw in the towel.

Sterling Benjamin, 189, scored aan unanimous points decision over Ken Clarks, 184½. This fight lacked initiative.

Claude Noel, 139½, made a sensational comeback when be boxed cleverly to wear down stronger and heavier punching Michael Baptiste, 146, to be able to jab keeping Baptiste off balance and to land with a short right to jaw sending Baptiste down oud out in 2.33 seconds of the 4th round.

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SERRANO BEATS PANNAZO IN 175 CLASS AT DANBURY

By BILL KOWALCZYK

Danbury, Conn. — AAU amateurs attracted 500 fans.

▲73 pound class Nick Gillitti, Danbury, won over Mark Dempsey.

▲Mark Clinkseales, 118, of Bridgeport, won over Steve Torre, also 118, of Danbury.

▲Bruce Ross, 138, Danbury, stopped Steve Presley, 138, of the Norwich Pal, in 159 seconds.

▲Rocky Randell, Danbury, drew with John Sisco in the 73 pound class.

▲Benny Torres, 118, Danbury, won over John Civadonis, 120, fof Meriden.

▲Lou Vegrano, Danbury, lost to Seymour Sheppard of Hartford in the 128 pound class.

▲Tommy Griffin, 156, Danbury, won over Mike Hopkins also 156 of the War Memorial Club.

▲Billy Camacho and David Melendez, Danbury and Bridgeport, respectively, fought to a draw as four judges scored it 2 and 2. This has never happened in Connecticut AAU boxing before, and in the eyes of many, it was a just and fair decision.

▲Jose Serrano, 175, War Memorial Danbury, won over Joe Pannozo, also 175, from the Danbury Boxing Club.

GARDNER HURTS HANDS BUT BEATS SONGBIRD

By JOHNNY DOBBS, JFR.

Memphis, Tenn. — Boxing came back to Memphis, with a boom. The entire card was well matched with some exciting bouts, the main event was the best fight seen here in twnety-five years.

Tony Gardner, 154, fights out of Oklahoma City, under the watchful eye of Pat O'Grady, won a hard-fought ten round decision over local veteran Robert "Songbird" Williams.

Gardner, who suffered two hurt hands in the fight as early as rounds 4 and 5, could not connect with the bomb which has put 20 straight opponents to sleep.

Williams, a smart defensive fighter, fought gamely with his left eye closed by the eighth round. Rounds one through five were fought on a close basis with Gardner useing his 6'2" height as an advantage sticking and moving useing his left jab effectively.

Williams tried hard to get the play away from Gardner, but the "Tennessee Rifle" began to pick up steam in the last three rounds.

The judges scored it 7-1-2 and the referee scored it 5-1-4 all for Gardner. Gardner proved he can box if necessary his dynamite right for the U.S.A. title.

In the semi-main Charles Atlas of Mur Rouge, Louisiana won a ten round decision over Al "Memphis" Jones in good heavyweight bout. Louis Young of Memphis stopped Sylvester Murphy of Bristol, Tenn. in the 5th round of a heavyweight brawl.

Local Golden Gloves champion Earl Wilson KO'ed David Tymes in 51 seconds of round one. Wilson a National Runner-up is a hot prospect to watch. Eddie Freeman, another local Golden Goves Champion of the South KO'ed Rocky Belsky in the second round.

HOYE OUTPOINTS CABREA IN CLOSE 10 AT BALTIMORE

BY BUDDY EY

Baltimore, Md. — One of the best cards of the season was presented at Steelworker's Hall by Eli Hanover and Joe Poodles. Unfortunately, a one day postponement, due to an electrical storm, held the crowd to a disappointing 450.

In the 10 round main bout, Rico Hoye, 160, Kalamazoo, was awarded a controversial, unanimous decision over Radames Cabrea, 160, New York. Cabrera blocked most of Hoye's wicked shots and was coming on strong at the finish. Hoye was shook up in the last round but managed to stay out of harm's way.

Tyrone Phelps, 150, New York, provided a shocking upset by T.K.Oing Floyd Mayweather, 149, Baltimore based, in 2:40 seconds of the 2nd round. Mayweather's show boat tactics served to enrage Phelps and he tore into his man with a vengeance.

Mayweather got up after being floored, but was on rubbery legs and being driven from pillar to post when the referee rightly stopped it.

Vonzell Johnson, 174, Baltimore based, earned the unanimous 6 round decision over Wayne McGee, 174, Philadelphia. The slender, counter punching Johnson used his greater reach to advantage in this fine bout.

Ron Smoke Green, 135½, Baltimore, fought to a 6 round standoff with rugged Puerto Rican, Jose Resto, 134, New York. The Joe Frazier like Green walked into a right hand in the last round and took an 8 count.

Lou Benson, Jr., 171½, Baltimore, made his professional debut a successful one by pounding out a 4 round win over rough, Larry Washington, 164, Baltimore. Twenty years ago, ringsiders cheered Benson's father, Lou Sr., who was a good heavyweight prospect.

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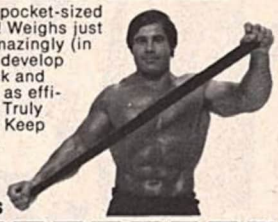

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OLD BROADWAY

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stablemate of Tony Cazoneri's and was managed by the late Sammy Golman, is a busy man these days. He is a man of all trades. Following the end of his fistic career, Lenny, who had 73 pro fights, became associated with the Internal Revenue Service. When his time was up, DelGenio suddenly found himself mixed up with the motion picture game and appeared in the Godfather, the Happy Hooker and several other picture adventures and still is. Now he's seen nightly at the Pen Colony Restaurant, on 7th Avenue, where he strums away at his guitar and entertains the customers with a bunch of old time song favorites. He is seen there from Monday to Friday nights from 5 to 8. Incidentally, DelGenio strutted his stuff at the recent annual Boxing Writers gettogether at the Plaza Hotel.

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Old timers will recall Eddie Blunt, the heavyweight who came out of Roper, N.C. and is now living in little old New York. Blunt, a member of Ring #8, who was 62 on August 29, was born on Aug. 29, 1912, and came to New York with his family in 1935. He was managed by Abe Kettler, and his trainer was the late Whitey Bimstein.

Blunt, a likeable type, admits he never had an amateur bout before he turned pro in 1935, and wound up his career in 1947 after engaging in 87 scraps. Eddie, who is a happy go lucky fellow, with no complaints, had combats with the likes of Buddy Baer, Abe Simon, Nathan Mann, Lee Savold, Jack Trammel and LeRoy Haynes, among others.

When Blunt quit the ring he went to work on the waterfront but is now retired. Eddie and his wife Marie have four offspring—Everett, 35, Dianne, 38, Brenda, 22, and Walter, 14, as well as five grandchildren.

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Jerry Grieff, former heavyweight from the Bronx, member of Ring #8, entertained at the show given at the Statler Hilton, and surprised all by his powerful pair of lungs. It was reminiscent of the days of our pal, Joe Humphreys, who would announce the Garden fights without benefit of a microphone.

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Pal Bill Gallo, sports cartoonist of the Daily News and contributor to Ring Magazine, recently gained more laurels, when he was recipient of Page 1 Journalistic award and also the School of Visual Achievements award, which Pete Hammill received last year.

It's a long time between drinks, sometimes. Ran into Eddie Shea, former bantam, feather and lightweight out of Chicago, who was managed by the late Joe Glaser. Shea, who is assistant coach for the overprivileged children that we met up with in Dr. Novich's abode, told us he is also a bouncer at the Suburban Cocktail Lounge in Montclair, N.J. Shea's daughter Sandra is working as an artists model at Stamford University and U.C.L.A. and is living in Los Angeles. Eddie also had a son, David, who passed away.

Eddie, who will be 69 in October, had many battles with champions. Among them, Kid Chocolate, Freddie Miller, Chalky Wright, Willie Pep, Bat Battalino, Charley Phil Rosenberg, and Fidel LaBarba.

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DUANE BOBICK DISPOSES OF LASSITER IN CONN.

By BILL KOWALCZYK

Hartford, Conn. — Duane Bobick, the 212 pound block buster from Bolis, Minnesota, scored his 28th win, via the KO route, by disposing of hapless Earnie Lassiter, 195, of Newark, New Jersey at 2 minutes 57 seconds of round two.

For the 6ft. 3 guy from Bolis it was win number 28, and his record now reads (25) KO's and three (3) decisions. The only foes able to travel the route with Duane were—Billy Daniels, Raoul Garosito, and Lou Bailey.

Lassiter, although a game 195-pounder, seemed to be at the mercy of the height and reach of Duane who scored at will once he found the range.

His powerful combinations were beautiful to watch as they bounced off Lassiter's head and body much like the rhythm of a punching bag.

Bobick looked 50 percent better than he did when he disposed of Orin Veasy in Hartford more than a year ago.

Joe Frazier, his manager and stablemate, was on hand and the crowd gave the former heavyweight king an ovation with cries of "We'll see you in September, Champ." Of course meaning the expected demolition of Muhammed Ali and the recrowning of (Smokin) Joe Frazier.

In a scheduled six Jesse Bender, 158, of Hartford, stopped Jesus Alecia, 152, of Holyoke in round 3 because of a cut eye!

In another six Connecticut favorite Steve Toomey, 143, of Waterbury looked good as he won again over Angel Cintron, 140, of White Plains, N.Y.

Avalino DesRios, 135, of Waterbury, beat clownish Marcalino Alescia, 142, of Holyoke, in 4 crowd pleasing rounds that had the crowd stirring with excitement in every round.

In the semi-final "Pookey" Kid DeBarros, 139, of Waterbury, made it 10 in a row as he won from Jose Ortiz, 136, of Lowell, and easily won all of the six rounds! The scientific kid made the mistake of many of his predecessor by trying for a 1 punch KO win and took far too many chances with little accomplished until he settled down and did his regular thing, then it was once again marvelous to watch as he slipped and pounded his way to victory.

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In Middletown's first boxing show in 20 years, Dana McCarthy once again won via the TKO method over Joey Houston from Lowell, Mass. as referee Billy Taylor stopped the fight. At this point Joey appeared to be winning and the sparse crowd sat dumbfounded and couldn't believe what they saw. It was listed as a 12 second TKO in the fourth round for McCarthy who has won his last three fights the same way. Dana weighed 163, his opponent, 157!

The same thing happened in the semi windup between Hartford's 134-pound sensation Bobby Guthridge and another Lowell fighter Jose Ortiz who weighed in at 132. He retired in round 3!

In the best bout of the night Steve Toomey, 146, of Waterbury, halted Holyoke's Marcalino Alescia, a bruising 143-pound battler, who gave his all but couldn't cope with the fancy dan stuff of his worthy conqueror. Toomey looked good and seems to be back on the main bout trail.

Waterbury's Al DesRios, at 138, won the third bout over Ed Spider Murphy, 134, of Lowell. Stopped in 1 minute, 26 seconds of round one (1).

Dennis Jordan, heavyweight from Wethersfield, ended his bout with Kenny Jones of New Haven with a devastating body attack. It was a KO win in 2 minutes and 10 seconds of round one!

RICARDO GETS IT CLOSE OVER MORENO IN COLOMBIA

By LUIS A. GONZALEZ V. (LAGOVEN)

Cartagena, Colombia — Jaime Ricardo, 119, Cartagena, won a close ten decision over Sigifredo Moreno, 119, Buenaventura.

▲Calixto Perez, local light flyweight, won unanimous ten decision over Prudencio Cardona, San Basilio de Palenque.

▲Enrique Pinto, light flyweight class, too, scored an eight round KO (1:00) over Carlos Rebollo.

▲Hector Pinto, decisioned Jose Ricard in six rounds, in light flyweight, the new professional division.

▲Manuel Zambrano defeated Remberto Palomino by KO2 (1:110).

▲Barranquilla—The veteran Bernardo Caraballo and Armando "Policia" Perez, both of Cartagena city, drew in ten rounds in featherweights.

▲Juanito Herrera, Colombia, in fly division, won in ten router by decision over Candelario Guzman, Venezuela.

▲Orlando Maestre and Felipe Hernandez, drew in six. Hernandez was dropped in the third round. Bantams.

▲Clemente Rojas beat Alfonso Casseres in eight rounds. Lightweights.

▲The feather Jesus Sanctis, defeated Plutarco Calle, in ten rounds.

▲Ramon G. Valazquez, WBC's president, authorized the match for the title only two days before the fight.

▲Alfredo Pitalua, TKO ed Gliserio Velasco, feather class in 7.

▲Juan Carlos Duran, Argentina, decisioned ex-champion Emile Griffith, USA, in ten routers, light heavyweight.

▲Carlos Obregon, welter Colombian champion, TKO ed Adalberto Vanegas in 7.

▲Alyaro Lopez, lost to Ricardo Estupinan, by decision in ten. Flies.

▲Miguel Espinosa, Colombia, and Antonio Quiroz, Mexico, drew in ten. Espinosa was dropped in the second. Bantams.

▲Jose "Banny Kid" Prada, Colombia, TKO ed Miguel Aceves, Mexico, junior welters. Three rounds.

▲Miguel "Turco" Betruz, Colombia lightweight champion, TKO ed ex-champion of the world, Antonio Gomez, Venezuela.

▲Hugo Barraza, Colombia, kayoed (0:48) Valentin Martinez, Mexico. Lightweights.

SAILOR HARRIS, AAU, AVENGES DEFEAT BY HEAVY JORDAN

By JACK LEVINSON

Norfolk, Va. — Rich Harris, the Norfolk sailor who lost to BOBBY JORDAN in the state AAU tournament, decisioned his conquerer at Norfolk Arena. The fight was the featured event in a 14-bout program, sponsored by the TIDEWATER AMATEUR BOXING ASSOCIATION.
RESULTS:

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110 lbs. Reggie Parker, Norfolk, won 3rds dec. over Steve Staley, Maryland . .

106 lbs. Daniel Ceraide, Little Creek won 3rds dec. over Donald Harris. Little C.

112 lbs. Shivis Hale, Richmond B.D. won 3rds dec. over Scott Schneider, N.P.

125 lbs. Kenny Bass, Little Creek 3rds dec. over Maurice Haskins, Maryland.

132 lbs. Neil Allen, Maryland, Won 2rd K.O dec. over Vincent Amaya, Newport News.

139 lbs. Rayford Collins (LC), won 3rds dec over Dale Staley, Maryland.

147 lbs. Freddie Tuttle, MD. won 3rds dec over Reubin Nuncio, Little C.

165 lbs. Keith Broome, (L.C) won 3rds dec over Billy Tuttle, Maryland.

178 lbs. Bruce Miller, NAS won 3rds dec over Neil Grooms, C.A.L.

Heavy lbs. Rick Harris, (L.C.) won 3rds dec over Bobby Jordan, Little C.

BOXING IN PANAMA

BY JUAN ORTEGA

Panama City — On the under-card of the Antonio Cervantes-Esteban DeJesus Junior Welterweight title bout Jaime Rios, 107½, Panama kayoed Japan's Kazunori Tenry, 106 in four. This was a elimination bout for the new junior flyweight championship.

Other bouts, flyweight Alfonso Lopez, Panama, 111, stopped Puerto Rico's Ely Garces in two; Gilberto Illueca, Panama, 117 outpointed Colombian Henry Castillo, 119, ten rounds.

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Sound familiar? For most of us life is a day-to-day struggle...a losing effort to get ahead of car payments, mortgage payments, insurance payments...payments for groceries, gas, dry cleaning, tuition, clothing. Payments, payments, payments...it goes on and on. Where does it end? Like the Red Queen in *Alice in Wonderland*, the faster we go, the behinder we get.

But, as I say, all that is behind me now. These days I spend my time as *I* like...because *I've found the secret of lasting success.*

And the success I have enjoyed since I came across this "secret" has brought me something that used to exist only in my daydreams: Money...with a capital "M." More money than I ever saw before. Money to buy what I need and to fulfill my family's needs. Money to go where I want. Money to do things I've never done before.

For example, I've started to explore the world I live in. Not long ago my wife and I visited the Virgin Islands...sort of a second honeymoon. A couple of months later I took my kids to Disney World and, more recently, spent a few lazy weeks in sunny Acapulco. Next...well, who knows? Maybe Bali, or the Riviera, or Hong Kong. It doesn't really matter, because I can afford to leave any time...and go first class.

But most days I'd rather work on my sports car, or play tennis at the country club, or take my youngsters to the zoo, or just loaf around the pool. Not bad for someone with a high school education, eh?

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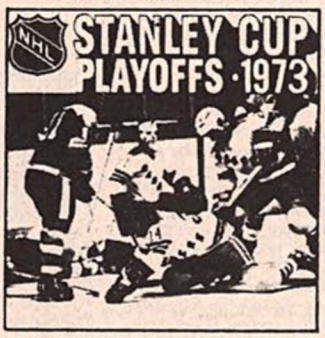

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